### The general meeting

(The Key Apr. 2004) It is the year of KCJ general meeting, which is held every other year. According to members of two area, it will be held at Sept. 11 to 12 at hotel "Kikori" in Hida city GF. Please mark on your calendar

#### Results of 2004 Top Band Contest (The Key May 2004)

JH4UYB and JA6GCE got the first and second places in 2004 KCJ Top Band Contest, respectively. Both are our regular participants. This year 119 logs were submitted and scores got better than those of last year, that is, even the 8<sup>th</sup> place score this year is higher than the 1<sup>st</sup> place score last year.

JH4UYB	5712
JA6GCE	5043
JA0IXW	4720
JA7KJR/7(KCJ mbr)	4484
JK3HFN/4	4400

## **KCJ QSL Card**

(The Key May 2004) As announced before, KCJ switched the QSL card printing company to

## Articles

QSL Card fm DX by JA7BVS (The Key Apr. 2004) Received a card from Mongol. JT1CD asked JA7DNO to forward his cards to IAs including me Receiving a card

JAs, including me. Receiving a card directly, I felt generosity and goodwill of people involved with forwarding. I have to change my thought because I have been thinking that sending a card after QSO is our duty and I deserve to get the card. Hinode co. in SG. The company has finished the transaction ordered by us and packed off to members who had recently ordered. Cards at this time are excellent compared with those before: cheap, fine printing, glossy suface, etc. Please, each of members independently orders cards from this company. However, if you have troubles with Hinode, let Kiku. JA3ATJ, know and he will arrange them.

### New Cities Born at Apr. 1st

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	(The Key Apr. 2004)
Agano (NI)	JCC-0823
Toumi (NG)	JCC-0920
Izu (SO)	JCC-1823
Omaezaki(SO)	JCC-1824
Kyoutanngo (KT	) JCC-2213
Yabu (HG)	JCC-2723
Shikokuchuuou(	EH) JCC-3813
Seiyo (EH)	JCC-3814

Members of KCJ operated from new cities are as follows:

JA1TCF(4210),		JA2OLJ(1824),
JH3HGI(2723),		JH0PPS(0823),
JL3BDA(2723)	and	JR3XEX(2213).

## Self-examination by JA1TCF

(The Key May. 2004)

This article is the reflection about portable operation to Iki city (JCC 4210), which were carried out with JA6CM.

#### Be serious about the weather

I convinced my preparation for WX is enough because I have learned about it. However, there was a big difference between actual situation and that inferred from numerical data. I haven't considered that wind chill factor is this big. During QRV on 3.5 Mhz at night, seawind blew in my body so hard that my left hand fingers for keying were numbed with cold and then right hand fingers for pen were numbed, too. I had to quit operation and massaged hands.

Something unexpected happens.

Though we were very careful against the interfare for two stations running simultaneously. But were puzzled at hearing S9+ signal I couldn't figure out what it was. Later at home I listened to recorded pile-up to me and felt sorry for being able to get contacts less than half of callers. I am afraid I just scattered frastration.

#### Let others know my schedule

Since unknown S9+ signal didn't come in the morning, it would be better if I had announced my QRV plan on 1.9 and 3.5 MHz in the next morning while we had been on those bands at night.

#### Must learn how to QSO on SSB

I couldn't run much on SSB because I am not familiar with the way people play on this mode. I often announced "please give me your full callsign", but they called with just suffix or last two letters and I could not manage my run. I gave up SSB mode with only 70 QSOs.

#### **Others**

Be familiar with callsigns as many as possible. This helps you with picking

up the specific callsigns among pile-up and raises your QSO rate.

## **On Line QSL Request System**

by **JA6BJV** (The key May 2004) It recently is possible to check out logs of Dxpedition while they still stay at the DX place. Because you can confirm your QSOs a few days later, this prevents from working again after you worried whether that QSO was OK or not. Thanks for computer-logging and the development of the internet.

Further the development of the internet permits us to ask QSL cards in their web sites. Maybe, when you type in your QSO data, your data are automatically checked and printed on a label. You have not to send in your cards to bureau and, hence, the task done in bureau is reduced. You will have paper cards so there is no problem about the warrant which is usually required when you use an electronic confirmation system.

This system is available for QSLing to 3B9C and T33C. This way for QSLing probably increases in future. However, please keep in mind Dxpeditions are certainly made at great expense. SAE with donation is sometimes good to express your gratitude to them.

## **Short Break**

**VK4CXQ**:It has been a bit quiet on 6mtrs lately but there was an opening into Japan and Korea on 1st May with 21 QSOs in 30 minutes. After that -nothing.

Have started up again on 10Mhz with two dipoles one north/south and

the other east/west. Some nice signals are starting to come in but I haven't worked many stations yet.

Your summer must have started by now. It won't be long before the cherry blossoms come out.

JA1BML: Built T2FD for high bands.

Even though it seems to have less capability than a dipole, I was able to work 3B9C on 6 bands. Anyway it's good to be on many bands with one antenna. My domestic QSOs on high bands are increasing in number. (June) JA1CSB: My first report about activity. Got started to be on 1.9 MHz at Dec. last year. (May)

JA1TCF: Got all new born cities but Iki city where I had made a portable operation! (June)

**JA1THL:** Checked my JCC score and found I got over 700 cities confirmed. Will retire at this June and will focus in on radio. (June)

**JJ1KXB:** After long time no paraticipation, joined All JA contest. In spite of part time participation, worked 713 Qs. Worked many towns and villages in the vacation of early May. (June)

**JA2MYA:** Many new city will be born this month so we will be busy on Saturday and Sunday, won't we? Got 6 new cities in Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> and want to get another 5 cities this weekend. (May)

JA2OLJ: Got QSL card for "World 10000 Yomiuri Award" and am preparing application. Already had "Japan 10000 Yomiuri Award", so I am to have a pair award. In future, my activity will mainly be on protable operation and QRP from home, exclusively on CW, of course. (May)

JA3ATJ: Changed a desktop computer and replaced a hard desk on a laptop one. I spent a lot of time for installing programs and transferring data from old hard desk to new one. It must be easy to do this because I have been keeping old version programs and ID, password, but actually it made me exhausted. (June)

**JH3EZV:** JARL does not accept the application of "JCC 700". Even if it is accepted, someone who gets this award

first may be deterimed by drawing. Thus, its turn is meaningless, I think.(May)

**JR3XEX:** Long time no see, KCJ guys. Thank you for many calls to my portable operation from guns which will be deleted in Apr. 1<sup>st</sup>. Will be on the air from the new city, so please give me calls. (May)

JG3LGD: I don't expect to participate JARL general meeting because am busy at rice planting. Since it is held in Osaka, I got many invitations to make eye-ball QSOs, but I'm not able to do those. (June)

**JE6QFP:** Our dream, JCC 700, comes true due to the merge of small districts to a city. I want JARL to publish a new memorial award. (May)

JA7BVS/1: I have a plan to QRV on 1.9 to 144 MHz at Apr. 26 through May 16 from Kitagami city IT where I have a fixed station. Please work if you hear me. (May)

**JA7DJO:** Am getting QSL cards for contest QSOs last year. Became busy in spring and lost time for watching. (May)

JH7VOT: Still cold in 7 area. Wonder when I can repair my antennas. (May)

**JA8AJE:** Have enjoyed working with new cities on low bands but was disappointed about the results on high bands because of poor propagation. (May)

JAOAAQ: Thank you for QRVing from new cities. Naturally I didn't get all new cities on all HF bands, so there remain enough enjoyments to work them. Reading the articles on digital-mode on JA CQ Magazine, I came to be interested in this mode. (June)

**JHOPPS:** Found mistakes in my activity report. How do you guys make up your report? Feel relief at completing KCJA 100. (May)

### KCJA

#### KCJA in the KARL Bullletin

(The Key Apr. 2004) DS4DRE who got KCJA100 described KCJA in KARL Bulletin in Feb. 2004. He seemed to summarize the information in the web site of KCJ.

What showed up in it are:

220

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translated by JA8AJE

KCJ web site: www.jarl.com/kcj/

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URL of KCJ web site, how to apply KCJA, list of DX station who won awards, KCJ QSL card and so on.

JE0ARV KCJA100 #283 Apr. 20, 2004 JG5DHX KCJA250 #091 Mar. 5, 2004 JA1BML KCJA150 #135 Mar. 6, 2004 DS5ISO KCJA200 #133 Mar. 11, 2004 JA1BML KCJA200 #134 Apr. 2, 2004 JA7DJO KCJA475 #008 Apr. 11, 2004 DS5DRE KCJA150 #126 May 10, 2004 JA1BML KCJA250 #093 May 16, 2004 JA1KI KCJA525 #005 May 16, 2004

# Activity

WAZ band by band														
Г	otal	1.9	3.5	7	10	14	18	21	24	28	50	SAT		
JG3LGD	318	10	30	39	33	40	40	39	40	37	8	2		
JJ1KXB	288	5	20	39	37	40	37	40	33	35	2			
JA2MYA	285	5	25	36	33	40	31	38	35	36	6			
JA1THL	174	3	9	22	25	17	25	33	14	22	4			
DXCC bar	nd by	band	ł											
Г	otal	1.9	3.5	7	' 1	0	14	18	21	24	ŀ	28	50	SAT
JG3LGD	1444	17	69	174	12	72	251	233	202	195	5	155	19	2
JJ1KXB 1	366	9	41	173	8 18	35 2	250	186	227	14	2	151	20	6
JA2MYA	1333	8	76	149	13	72	72	148	215	149	)	171	8	0
DXCC	CFM													
JA2MYA	318													
JG3LGD	291	l												
JJ1KXB	290													