



# NEWSLETTER

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## The General Meetig



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The general meeting was held on September 11, 2016 at hotel “Senshuukaku” in Hanamaki city Iwate prefecture. Dinner party was held on the meeting Eve.



JA7TJ gave a greeting as a chief of preparing group. (Photo left) Some members donated ham-related-gadgets. Enjoying dinner in the meeting Eve, some attendees competed by rock-paper-scissors to get gadgets. (Upper photo on a next page)

In the genral meeting next day, in addition to discussion on how to



run KCJ, those who had been members of KCJ more than 35 years were awarded. (photo below: Six members with the president JR3KQJ at center)

Elected officers were as follows: President JR3KQJ, vice presidents JA5CUX, JA9CZJ, treasurer JO3OMA, auditors JH8CBH, JA5QYR.



## Promo for CW in Ham Fair

JARL is proceeding to put CW in the list of intangible culture treasures. As a part of it, JARL set the corner where visitors experience CW. KCJ and A1 club tended this event. JARL made leaflets to explain the history of Morse and merits of Morse code. In addition, the introduction of KCJ and A1 club was done. We provided three items; 1) codes keyed by straight key was decoded by PC and displayed on a monitor screen, 2) using two keys and one oscillator, visitors were



able to experience virtual QSO, 3) A set of a key and a buzzer for visitors who want to key freely.

## Statistics of Event Stations

KCJ #456 JG8NKJ T. Doi

Period: September 20, 2015 to September 19, 2016	
8N1KCJ, 8N2KCJ, 8N3KCJ, 8N5KCJ, 8N8KCJ	
The number of QSOs	Breakdown by Bands
8N1KCJ 12,289	1.9 MHz 1,259    3.5MHz 8,249
8N2KCJ 15,199	7MHz 34,346    10MHz 7,770
8N3KCJ 12,714	14MHz 2,088    18MHz 1,664
8N5KCJ 6,304	21MHz 1,221    24 MHz 766
8N8KCJ 14,736	28MHz 536    50MHz 1,868
	144 MHz and up (including SAT) 1,483
Unique Call Sign	
JA(CW) 5,419    JA(non CW) 2,423 Special Call 18 DX 682	

According to informal report by JARL, there exist 5,000 active hams. The number of CW QSO indicated above means that our special stations worked almost of all active CW hams in Japan. Thus, our event stations seemed to succeed for promoting CW operation. Some prefectures remained inoperable. Next goal is the completion of an operational WAJA.

## The Meeting of Eight Area Members

KCJ #335 JE8RKY F. Ohta

On October 3, 2016, KCJ meeting of Hokkaido branch was held at the place Yoshikawa JA8OHG. JA8OHG and his wife are 80's and very well at their health because they have visited various mountains all over the world. OM, of course,



enjoys ham radio every day.

Five members attended the meeting: JA8OHG, JA8AJE, JA8HHF, JG8NKJ and me. Food was provided by OHG's wife and I cooked Peruvian dish taught by a student from there. The meeting was over after a lot of talking and planned to held at this place next time when it get warmer. (photo: standing l: JA8AJE r: JG8NKJ Sitting: l to r: JH8HHF, OHG's wife JA8OHG)

## The Delightful Ham Fair 2016

KCJ #295 T. Yoshimura

I participated in Ham Fair this year as usual. This time it was pleasant as follows. Operating on SSB on 18 MHz, JH1HGI called me and I said that I was going to go the Ham Fair. He said that he also would go there, so we planned to meet. When I tended KCJ booth on Saturday, he came and met me. Photo shows twin HGI (l: JH3HGI r: JH1HGI).



## 50Years Ago

KCJ #203 JA1VDA J. Ishikawa

50 years ago.... The year of Tokyo Olympic games. I was born in Tokyo but in those days, lived in Nisinomiya, Hyogo prefecture for two years. My class mate in the junior high school told me about amateur radio and he and I visited a neighbor high school student and a college one with him. I remember some of them has stations JA3H\*. Three junior high school students, including me, took and passed the exam for operator license when we were at the second grade. Later I returned to Tokyo and prepared for starting a station. I mainly got knowledge about ham radio from Japanese CQ magazine and books because my school didn't has a radio club.

When I was at third grade of a junior high school in Tokyo 1965, I was going to build a transmitter with a tester and a light bulb as measures. Receiver was a junk-like radio with short wave bands. Instead of 807 as a final tube, I used 2E26. I lived in Shinagwa ward Tokyo in those days, so I easily accessed Akihabara to



JA1VDA and his shack in 1990's.

buy parts. Fortunately I succeeded to radiate 7Mc AM wave. I received a station license in late September. My first QSO was with JA7 station with a dipole antenna. My friend in Nishinomiya also got a station license but I didn't hear him. One day I hear his voice for short time. Hearing him got me happy.

I got a first class operator license after my graduation from the high school. However, there existed various things I wanted to do, so I had not been on the air for a long time. I retired from job four years ago, but still have been busy owing to supporting venture companies.

My future plans are: get a piece of land in warm place, generate power by myself, build a log house and enjoy ham radio all days.

## My Ham History

KCJ#158 JE3NNJ Y. Kitawaki

I was born on February 1951. Yes, I was in baby-boom generation. In my junior high school age, a germanium radio (a detector by a germanium diode) was popular as a toy of boy. I was interested in CW around those days. Comic showed that the cheating at a school exam was done by tapping a desk to inform answers each other. Later I came to know that it was called Morse codes.

When I was in my 20's, my friend recommended me to get a phone class operator license. Thus, I took an exam in fall 1974, got a license and started a station JE3NNJ next year. As a next step, I wanted to operate CW mode and practiced reception of codes with a cassette tape every day. I was very glad to get a second class operator license. I remember my first CW QSO on 21 MHz with a ham in Nara prefecture.

Around 1978, I noticed QSL cards with a logo of KCJ and looked over what was KCJ. According to the instruction for the admission to KCJ, I needed two hams as



recommenders, so I asked two hams, JA5MNJ and JR3EXX, for being recommenders. I also joined JARL as a life member and I got experienced by managing to make a lot of QSOs, and participating in contests. However, about 20 years ago, I suffered pain at my wrist due to mowing and was not able to use a straight key well. This caused my

activities down.

In the late 1990's my father passed away, so I became busy because I had to take over his job in addition to my own job. If I got a little more free time, I would get on the air. Therefore, I will not quit a membership of KCJ.

## Voice of Members

**JH1NVA:** I just joined KCJ on Aug this year. In my first participation in KCJ contest, I worked all Japanese areas, USA and UA0. Outside of contest, I QRVED on 10 and 18 MHz bands. In the early morning on 10MHz I heard EA but didn't work due to heavy pile-ups. I can't wait the fall DX season. I was weary of much rain in September. The ability of my antenna, VCH for 7, 10, 14 MHz bands, goes down in rain, so my activities this month was low.

**JM1HUX:** Got a trouble on PC on a hot summer day in July. Thus, PC log didn't work and, as results, it was hard to check QSOs. Heat originated this trouble, so removing HDD from PC and cooling it in a refrigerator recovered it. But I had to be hurry to copy data to FDD before HDD got heat again.

**JQ1NGT:** Participated in WW VHF contest on all-band-category. It was my fourth time. A number of participants was small as usual. Thus, I called CQ with asking to exchange GL as a contest number. There were many hams who didn't know rules of this contest, so I had to work on SSB to explain rules. I completed AJD by working KCJ special call sign stations.

**JA2MYA:** I have not been on the air for a while due to a problem on my heart. Now I started my activity with QRP.

**JA2OLJ:** This year I participated in Ham Festival in Tokai. I got my 3D2

and Z8 cards field checked. It was OK. In a parking lot, I asked JO2ASQ about various things on mobile operations. His equipments for mobile operation was excellent and I was enlightened by him.

**JS2KHM:** Although I was busy in hot August because of job, I barely participated in FD and KCJ contests. I operated 8N2KCJ/2 in September with SSB. At first I was nervous because I'm not familiar with SSB but later I became used to phone QSOs. My throat got a tickle. CW is better for me.

**JA3VOV:** According to weather forecasts, temperature in September will be a little bit higher than that in usual year and it will be rainy. I hope it is not so hot because I plan to maintain my antennas. I kept my activities by joining contests.

**JI3NOF:** Thank you for QSOs in KCJ contest. I run with QRP and managed to make many QSOs.

**JR3KQJ:** From the day I retired, I have continued to make QSOs everyday.

**JA5QYR:** I made one year maintenance of my tower. It didn't rust. The low tower was good for an aged ham like me because it is easy to maintain.

**JF6TWP:** This summer was especially hot, so I was like in torpor.

**JA7TJ:** The propagation in September was very poor. Thanks for attending the general meeting in Hanamaki.

**JA8AJE:** I had listened to mobile operation by a ham famous for his good operations. Pile-up was huge and tough but he asked repeating an other's call sign only twice or so in about 40 minutes!

My plans, to tune my wire antenna

to low bands by load coils and to build a audio peak filter, were postponed. It is easy to start to plan something but hard to complete it.

**JG8NKJ:** My headphone broke and I changed it to one for audio set. Hard to listen to CW with it because of its good quality of sound. I am preparing equipments for mobile operations but still unfinished tuning of my antenna.

## NEW Members

**JA3FSN:** Noboru "NORM" Taki #512 Aug. 3, 2016

He wanted to get the skill for CW contact. He likes CW because small power is enough for contacts and quiet during QSO.

**JH3IJF:** Tetsuyuki "TED" Ueda #513 Aug. 3, 2016

He started on 7 MHz CW in the year 1970 and after long QRT from 1982, he again became active in 2012. His 90 % contacts were on CW. He is also T88OK.

**JH1NVA:** Kubota "AKI" Kubota #514 Aug. 5, 2016

Being triggered by getting the memorial award of 40<sup>th</sup> birth of KCJ, he became a member. He hopes to get closeness with CWers in order to contribute to development of ham radio. He started CW ham radio by the contact with VR2UW on 21 MHz. An antenna in those days was a home-made one on his terrace.

**JA6LIM:** Toshiyuki "TOSHI" Morimatsu #515 Aug 9, 2016

He counts good points of CW: qualification for getting a first class license, satisfaction for having language common in world wide, having sense of superiority against SSB hams, the prevention for senility.

**JH9FCP:** Yasuhiro "YAN" Yamamoto #516 Aug. 12, 2016

He have been enjoying CW from his high school age. He said that we could enjoy ham radio by learning CW and it is important to infer other ham's feeling in monotonous signals.

**JA1SKE:** Isao "ISAO" Katayanagi #517 Aug. 27, 2016

He runs CW more than 50 years. He started CW on the era of AM. To

work DX, he naturally operated CW. Later he shifted to AM operation but his family claimed his operation was noise for them, so he again shifted to CW mode. He likes rhythmical CW QSOs in contests.

**JA1DSI: Minoru "MINORU" Tsuda #518 Aug.27, 2016**

He learned CW when he took exam for second class operator license. In 80's he got CW-DXCC 125 and also was eager for RTTY as well as CW.

Now he is enjoying domestic CW contests for keeping the receiving ability.

**JF1WKX: Nobuo "NOB" Katsuma #519 Aug. 28, 2016**

He started on 50 MHz AM but soon SSB era came. Thus, he improved his rig by inserting a mechanical filter and operated CW mode. Later he has pursued the accuracy of frequencies in microwave region.

**JO1LDY: Shigehiro "HIRO" Kuroki #520 Aug. 30, 2016**

His activities are almost on CW mode. In summer, he set antennas for high frequency bands in his veranda. In other season, his activity is confined to satellite communications.

**JH3IQL: Kazuyoshi "YOSY" Komori #521 Sep. 18, 2016**

According to the recommendation by JR3XEX, he visited the KCJ booth in KANHAM and Ham Fair and many eyeballs made him belong to KCJ. Many years ago he learned CW but didn't work anyone. Now a local ham became a booster of his CW operation, so he is just making rubber stamp QSOs with the help of PC.

**JA2QVP: Kazumi "KAZU" Sumida #522 Sep. 19, 2016**

He approved that the principle of KCJ, the conservation of CW which is the origin of communication. He began CW when he got a second class operator license but was not so active. Later he got a first class license and became avid on CW operation. He is mainly participating in contests and chasing rare stations for award.

**JI2SVL: Hiroshi "HIRO" Kodama #523 Sep. 19, 2016**

His motivation for join KCJ was to get acquaintances with CW enthusiasts. He thinks CW is good for DX QSO even if it runs low power and is easy to find a frequency to run. He makes mobile operation once a month at least with CW mode.



# KCJA

<b>JG3SUQ</b> (非会員) 16-9-22								
150pts (#194)								
追加申請								
Band	1.9	3.5	7	10	14	18	21	24
Pts	37	42	45	26	0	0	0	0
Band	28	50	144	430	1.2	2.4	5.6	10G
Pts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Band	24G	-	-	-	-	-	SAT	SUM
Pts	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	150

<b>JA5CUX/1</b> (会員) 16-10-10								
640pts (#004) 650pts (#004) 660pts (#003) 670pts (#002)								
追加申請								
Band	1.9	3.5	7	10	14	18	21	24
Pts	42	4	47	47	47	44	45	31
Band	28	50	144	430	1.2	2.4	5.6	10G
Pts	33	47	43	43	40	11	30	27
Band	24G	-	-	-	-	-	SAT	SUM
Pts	1	-	-	-	-	-	47	672

<b>JA5CUX/6</b> (会員) 16-10-10								
550pts (#020)								
追加申請								
Band	1.9	3.5	7	10	14	18	21	24
Pts	13	26	46	47	28	30	25	33
Band	28	50	144	430	1.2	2.4	5.6	10G
Pts	24	47	43	43	40	11	30	27
Band	24G	-	-	-	-	-	SAT	SUM
Pts	1	-	-	-	-	-	47	561

<b>JA5CUX</b> (会員) 16-10-10								
680pts (#001) 690pts (#001) 700pts (#001) 710pts (#001)								
追加申請								
Band	1.9	3.5	7	10	14	18	21	24
Pts	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	47
Band	28	50	144	430	1.2	2.4	5.6	10G
Pts	47	47	43	43	40	12	30	27
Band	24G	-	-	-	-	-	SAT	SUM
Pts	1	-	-	-	-	-	47	713

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## The Results of KCJ Contest 2016

### Held at Aug. 27 to 28

Remarks on the table are as follows:

- IM: You had other's call sign wrong.
- RR: You had RST from other wrong.
- MR: You had other's multiplier wrong.
- NF: Your call sign was not in other's log.
- WC: Dupe QSOs.
- UM: Other had your call sign wrong.
- RS: Other had RST sent by you wrong.
- MS: Other had your multiplier wrong.
- TM: QSO time differed more than 10min.
- OF: QSO bands were mismatched.