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One Area Meeting

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Meeting was on December 14, 2013 in Akihabara. Ten members came together. We have talked about various themes: setting clear vision of KCJ, having more events for members, increasing the activity of KCJ club station JR8YLY in KCJ contests, contributing more technical articles to KCJ bulletin "The Key".

Photo (Front l to r : JA1COP, JO4CAP, JH1TFL

Back l to r: JH1XUP, 7K1DPE, JM1HUX, JA1PHE, JA1FCY,
JM1PWW, JN1WXW)

Seven Area Meeting

JH7FQK I. Ujiie

On January 12, 2014 five members in seven area had the meeting in Sendai city. Due to the great earthquake on seven area, many members had to left behind the towns where they had gotten used to live in.



JR8YLY/1 in 2014 KCJ Top Band Contest

JA1FCY M. Namba

Just after the contest began, there was no spaces for CQing as usual. It was good and delightful as a one of members of this contest sponsor. Noise level was a bit higher than usual and the propagation was so-so. Climate was snow-stormy and was rare around Kantoh plain.

After QRT for sleeping around 0:00 JST on the first day, I got on the air at 05:30 JST on second day and thought the condition was not good. I by chance walked out at 07:00 JST and, "Wow" found the horizontal part of my antenna drooped over the ground, getting thick with wet snow. I checked out a SWR meter. It showed no change with a drooped antenna. In spite of this accident, I was able to work many stations at various domestic places from 06:00 JST through 07:00 JST. Snowing stopped around noon, so I put the antenna right using a lasso, thinking that what others thought when they saw me throwing lasso to trees on snowy ground. Hi On second day, I got on 1.8 MHz leg to avoid interferes from KW stations. Results were 75 QSOs and 35 multipliers. Year by year my activities are tending downward but I'll do my best next year.

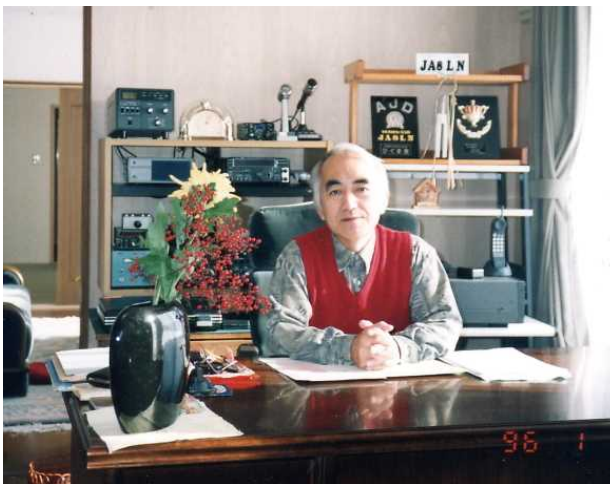
KCJ Members: Who am I ?

JA8LN

I was born at 1937, so am 77 year old. When I applied a station license in the early spring in 1958, I was asked to come to Telecommunication Bureau to receive a license. I was thrilled at thinking what call sign they would give me. Before an officer gave me a license, he showed me a bunch of papers under my license and said I should know what kind of papers these were. Yes, these were reports about my undercover activities of amateur radio. My heart fluttering...Cold sweating...Making humble apology.



I got interested in ham radio because I looked at the station of JA8BY on the way to and from a school every day. He said that if a guy who couldn't understand CW, then he couldn't profess he was a ham. This was the revelation for me. Therefore, I added a BFO to my home-brew RX and listened to CW from European Russia. I thought training of only reception was not enough for a good ham. Therefore, I got started the training of the transmission with a small TX. The training became so hard that Telecommunication Bureau noted my activities. Results were as described at the first part of this article.



In those days, fishery around the north pacific was brisk to make money, so after the graduation of a high school, I entered a school for

communication operators. However my parent didn't approve me to be a ship operator since it was a dangerous occupation. I found the employment at the local government.

I transferred many times around Hokkaido due to my occupation. I enjoyed mobile operations at each place. Especially while I was at Wakkanai city Hokkaido prefecture for four years, I went various towns and villages around this city. Pile-ups I got there were unforgettable for me.

Although I have recently tried RTTY and JT65, I have been striving to maintain the skill for CW.

JA1TCF

JA1TCF Y. Asaka

I got a phone class license in my high school age 1965 and had a station in Chichibu city Saitama prefecture. My main activity has been CW from the start. In those days we had to build RX and TX ourselves. What measures had I for home-brewing? Only a tester!

In 1994 I was suffered from severe illness. When I got health, I thought of portable operations from Okinawa in commemoration of getting to be healthy.

Okinawa main island (AS-017), Miyako jima (AS-079) and Iriomotejima (AS-024). Apr. 1995:

First time experience of tropical noise. First time riding on a water buffalo carriage.

KH0 (OC-086) with members of Chichibu DX club. June 2001:

First overseas travel and first dog-piles from EU stations.

KH0 (OC-086) again. May 2002:

Economy depression in Japan.
Korean tourists were more than Japanese ones in numbers.

June 2003: Mikurajima (Tokyo) (AS-008):

Went Ohshima by a ship and to Mikurajima via helicopter.



First time getting on a helicopter.

Iki city (Iki island) (AS-036) Mar. 2004:

Was suffered from heavy noise on 80 meters at night.

Fukue island (AS-040) (Fukue city, Nagasaki prefecture) Aug. 2004:

Chanpon noodle at Nagasaki air port was very delicious. Got on a ferry from Nagasaki to Fukue. We operated from a camp site with being suffered from scream of cicadas. After the operation, made a intra-island sight seeing. There are many churches. Don't miss the Ohsezaki cliff.

Miyake island (AS-008), Tokyo Jul. 2007:

Engaged extra job for one week on the island. During my sleep at a hotel, sirens informing the occurrence of volcanic gas went off and smelled soured egg but no one awoke, so I too didn't get up.

Okushiri island Hokkido

(AS-147) May 2008:

I was able to make satellite operations with zero elevation angles of a beam antenna.

Experienced big pile-ups on 6 meters. At every meal I had urchins and ear shells without extra charges because the

hotel run cultivation of marine products.

Anyway the important items of mobile operations are pile-up, rare local food and sightseeing.



JA7DCD

In my junior high school age I was an avid BCL. Dialing radio, I heard voice different from that of broadcasting. What's this!!! This was my first encounter with ham radio. In high school I got a phone class license and later got a CW class license and a second class one.

My family business was confectioner. When I was at second grade of a high school, I wanted to be medical doctor since I was attracted Black Jack, a hero of comic. My relatives were not approved me by saying "What are you thinking of. You must be family business man as an eldest son of the confectioner." I entered the faculty of economy of a university in Tokyo. Then I got a job at a confectioner in Tokyo for the training of confections.



As a ham, I was mostly active in my thirties. Someone said when you had a tower, your activities would get down. However, I had a tower around forties and was active on contacts all over the world. I got busy as the year goes by and my ham activities went down as if I retired ham radio. Now I have no antennas and my rigs are in a storehouse. Rigs I only use are handheld ones on 40 meters and 70 cm but my everyday is occupied with jobs and meeting with presidents of other companies.

I now am over 65 year old. My life time objective is making delicious and attractive Japanese sweets. Keeping it in mind, I will spend the remainder of my life with enjoying various hobbies.

Voice of Members

JH1XUP: I am planning to maintain my tower and antennas. The peak of the propagation is becoming history, so I hesitate if I concentrate on low-bands or not.

JJ1INO: The other days I called someones from cities I have wanted for WACA without success. My goal in this year is to complete WACA by

QSOs with five cities. I'll do my best.

JN1WXW: I got on the air only two days in December 2013. I couldn't be on air when KH9 DXpedition got on the air.

JQ1NGT: I participated in WW DX CW contest on 21 MHz. The propagation was relatively good, especially good to zone 2, 8, 9 and 14. I think we couldn't expect this good condition next year. At the beginning of November I heard and worked KH6 and ZL as new entities on 50 MHz.

7N3SHX: I have been busy so couldn't enjoy ham radio.

JA2OLJ: Hoping to get new entities, I participated in CQWW CW contest. The condition blasted; There existed running stations even above 28.1 MHz. I got 9K as a band new one. Got PJ2, PJ4 as all time new ones with QRP. I attended the presentation of the Yomiuri world 10000 award at the Chubu branch of Yomiuri news paper company on Dec. 4, 2013.

JA2PYD: I worked P29 on 28MHz in

the early of November. I was very happy. Then, I watched 28 MHz in the early morning every day. DXing is lovely.

JS2KHM: I built a full size inverted V dipole for 14 MHz on Nov. 21 above the roof of my house. Participated in CQ WW CW contest. With the help of good condition, I worked EA, CT, 9J and D4 which I have not been able to work so far. Also I got band new entities on 21 MHz. It was the delightful contest.

JH3HGI: The building of my house is behind the schedule. I have not been able to get on the air. I got information that a new satellite was put in orbit and people are enjoying QSO via it. I got this news from internet and am bursting to QRV

JA8AJE: The sun spot number became nearly 300 and expected good condition in CQ WW CW contest but I couldn't work east coasts and west parts of EU on 28 MHz (by my antenna). I run USA on 21 MHz after 22:30 UTC as usual, hoping to be called many USA stations. Got 80 QSOs in one and half hours.

KCJ Award

JL3PHG (非会員) 13-11-16 300pts (No. 119)									
追加申請									
Band	1.9	3.5	7	10	14	18	21	24	28
Pts	33	47	47	47	18	41	25	38	4
Band	50	144	430	1.2	2.4	5.6	24	SAT	SUM
Pts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300

JA5CUX (会員) 13-11-29 610pts (No. 003) 620pts (No. 003)									
追加申請									
Band	1.9	3.5	7	10	14	18	21	24	28
Pts	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	47
Band	50	144	430	1.2	2.4	5.6	24	SAT	SUM
Pts	47	40	35	25	1	1	1	47	620

JL3PHG: KCJA300 #119 Nov. 16, 2013

JA5CUX: KCJA620 #003 Nov. 29, 2013

New Members

7M4AOE (JA4QQJ/1) Shunji "SHUN" Fujita #450

Motivation to run CW was to get high ranks in contests. Now main activities are to chase DX on various bands for DXCC.

JN1CED Katsunori "KIYO" Shimizu #451

Mainly he has been working domestic contacts but recently began DX hunting. His operations are mostly CW except mobile operations.

JG5CAJ Shiya "NABE" Watanabe #452

His start for ham radio was on 7 MHz SSB but got interested in CW because it has good efficiency for contacts.

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