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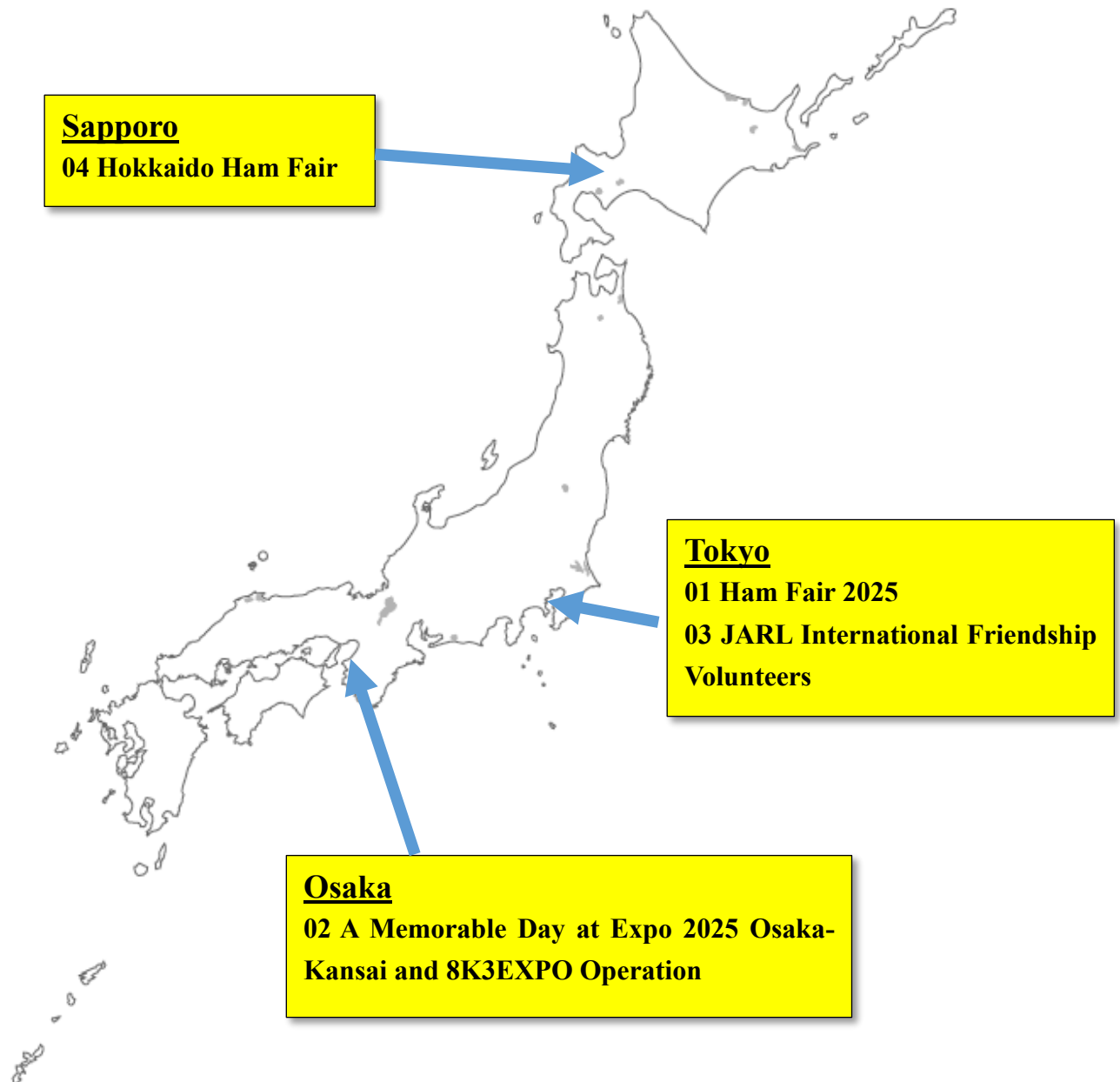
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For your reference, we have included a map of Japan. It shows the locations related to some of the articles in this issue.



Tokyo, Osaka, Sapporo are highlighted on the map.

01 Ham Fair 2025 (Tokyo)

By JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

In August 2025, **Ham Fair 2025**, hosted by JARL, was once again held at Ariake Gym-Ex, the venue that hosted gymnastics events during the 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games.



As in previous years, KCJ had a booth to promote its activities. Many KCJ members gathered there, and commemorative photos were taken on both the first and second days.





https://kcj-cw.com/j_index.htm

At the KCJ booth, member **JK1FNN Yamazaki** led an initiative to sell Japanese towels elegantly printed with both English and Japanese Morse code. In the photo above, the person on the far left, **JF1PMF Hirakawa**, is proudly wearing one of these towels.



This initiative was thought to be positioned as a **broader form of crowdfunding**, combining booth sales with online orders and donations. While it differs somewhat from the typical Internet-based crowdfunding model, it shares the same spirit: engaging the “crowd” at Ham Fair and offering a tangible return (the towel) as part of the support. Together, these efforts enabled support for the [+14db Project](#). In October, at the 29th

National Deafblind Convention to be held in Japan, the project will distribute “Morse Vibration Adapters” free of charge.

This was a wonderful example of how amateur radio culture can extend beyond the hobby and make meaningful contributions to society.

02 A Memorable Day at Expo 2025 Osaka-Kansai (Osaka) and 8K3EXPO Operation

By JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

From April to October 2025, Japan is hosting Expo 2025 Osaka-Kansai, a major international exposition held for the first time in Osaka since 1970.

I visited the Expo in July and had the privilege of operating the special event station **8K3EXPO**, established to commemorate this historic occasion. Reflecting on my earliest memories, I realized that my very first memory dates back to Expo 1970 in Osaka when I was five years old - making this visit a return after 55 years.

Licensed operators who present their JARL membership card and amateur radio license are permitted to operate 8K3EXPO. I was fortunate to operate on **7 MHz CW**, using an **ICOM IC-7760** and the **IC-PW2** linear amplifier. It was a great honor and pleasure to be part of this special station during such a historic event.



Inside the 8K3EXPO Shack at the JARL Booth

Left: A hands-on operator Right: JH1CBX Masaco (singer-songwriter)

Center: JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

One of the most popular attractions at the booth was the hands-on operating experience for visitors without a license. With licensed operators guiding them, guests were able to enjoy making QSOs, saying phrases like, "My name is ○○. Your report is 59," under supervision. Many visitors enjoyed this interactive experience, often forming long lines for their turn.

Interestingly, a unique visitor stamp—not listed in the official Expo guidebook—was available at the JARL booth. This made it a sought-after destination for stamp rally enthusiasts, who eagerly queued to collect this rare stamp.

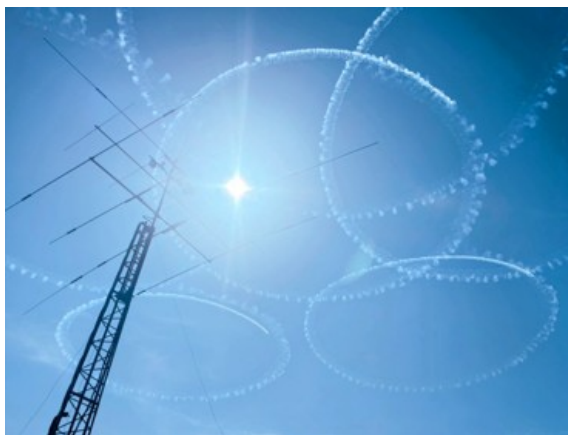


Commemorative Visitor Stamp of 8K3EXPO

Source: *JARL NEWS*, Summer 2025 Edition

On that very day, the Japan Air Self-Defense Force's **Blue Impulse** team performed an aerial display above the Expo venue, drawing massive crowds. The total attendance reached **173,000 people**, many of whom came specifically to witness the Blue Impulse in flight.

Despite the heavy congestion at the gates, this summer day—operating 8K3EXPO, enjoying the vibrant atmosphere of the Expo, and watching the Blue Impulse soar above—will remain etched in my memory as a truly special experience.



8K3EXPO Antenna Array and the Flight of Blue Impulse

Photo courtesy of JH1CBX/Masaco (X: @Masaco3)

03 JARL International Friendship Volunteers

By JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

This year, JARL launched the JARL International Friendship Volunteers (JIFV). The idea is simple: to make sure overseas visitors feel welcome and can fully enjoy JARL events together with us.



JIFV Name Badge

Logo mark created through the ideas and efforts of JIFV members

At Ham Fair 2025 in August, I had the honor to serve as MC at the opening ceremony. It was the very first step for JIFV, introducing international guests and letting everyone know that “JIFV members with the same badges will be there to support overseas visitors.”



Ham Fair 2025 Opening Ceremony – Distinguished guests from Japan and abroad

Far left: Master of ceremonies, JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

The moment of tension and anticipation that marked the very first step of JIFV

Source: KCJ Website

That evening, JIFV also hosted a welcome party for our friends from KARL (Korean Amateur Radio League), funded by contributions from JIFV members. It turned out to be a warm and enjoyable gathering, with many smiles and stronger friendships.



Welcome Party for KARL, hosted by JARL International Friendship Volunteers

An intimate moment of international friendship, filled with smiles and cheerful voices

During the Ham Fair, JIFV members were actively talking with and helping overseas visitors everywhere. I believe this kind of friendly spirit will be a great strength for JARL's international exchanges, especially as we approach the 100th anniversary of JARL and the 100th anniversary of Amateur Radio in Japan.



A Ham Fair Guest

Tim Ellam, VE6SH, President of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU)

A scene where I truly felt the bonds with amateur radio friends around the world

So, dear Associate Members—please come join us at the next Ham Fair.

With JIFV members by your side, you can be sure to enjoy every moment!

04 Hokkaido Ham Fair (Sapporo)

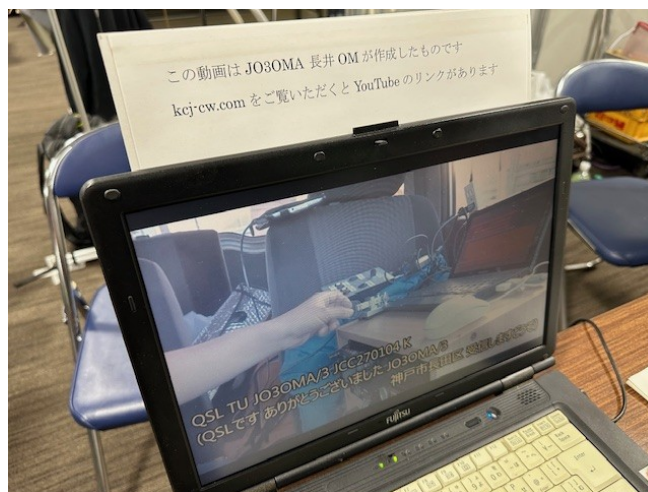
By JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

In September 2025, I had the pleasure of attending the Hokkaido Ham Fair in Sapporo. The KCJ booth was located right at the entrance, where visitors were welcomed by the lively and rhythmic Morse code of [Mr. Nagai JO3OMA](#), echoing from his video presentation. The sound immediately set the tone for a warm and friendly atmosphere.



Group Photo at the KCJ Booth

It was wonderful to meet so many friends—JARL directors, long-time acquaintances, and even some I met for the very first time. For me personally, joining a Ham Fair outside of Tokyo was quite a rare opportunity, and it turned into a truly rewarding experience.



CW Demonstration Video by Mr. Nagai (JO3OMA)



Exhibit at the KCJ Booth

Sapporo itself has become a vibrant destination, drawing many international visitors in recent years. Beyond the exhibits, it offers great food, hot springs, and easy access to the natural beauty of Hokkaido.

If you have never experienced a Ham Fair in Japan outside Tokyo, why not make Sapporo your next stop? You may discover that the Hokkaido Ham Fair combines ham radio with the unique charm of northern Japan—something you will not forget!



Dinner with KCJ Members in Sapporo

05 Introduction of a New Associate Member

By JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

We are very pleased to introduce DJ1TF Thomas as a new Associate Member of KCJ.



<https://kcj-cw.com/hamfair/hamfair25/index.html>

The following is excerpts from his application form.

I have been a HAM radio operator for only 5–6 years. I built a QCX kit and started with CW.

It was such a rewarding experience to achieve DX contacts with low power. Also, CW sounds like music to my ears.

Because of my Japanese family, I spend my summer vacation in Japan and use the guest call sign JJ1QPB.

While operating phone is difficult in Japan, CW is no problem. CW makes it much easier to make international friends in Japan.

I would be very happy to learn more about CW in Japan from KCJ (both English and Japanese are OK).

At present, I operate almost exclusively in CW, with only occasional club activities on phone or antenna testing with digital modes.

06 E-mails from Associate Members

Messages from Associate Members: DF7TV Tom (Germany), N6MA Paul (USA).

Mccorphy N <mccorphy@gmail.com>

[associate:00009] Delivery of Club Bulletin "KCJ NEWSLETTER" Issue No. 100 (For Associate Members)

DF7TV <associate@kcj-cw.com> 2025年6月24日 20:23
返信先: KCJ associate <associate@kcj-cw.com>
To: KCJ associate <mccorphy@gmail.com>

Dear MCCO,

Thank you for this special "No. 100" edition.

Congrats for the anniversary!

By the KCJ NEWSLETTER, it is always very enjoyable to read news from Japan. Apart from "OHAYO", "KONBAN WA", "ARIGATO" etc. for my QSOs with JA stations, I do not know your language.

And every time the newsletter is in my mailbox, I am delighted that you undertake this effort in English language, even though "we" are only about 20 associate members.

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Tom DF7TV

Mccorphy N <mccorphy@gmail.com>

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N6MA <associate@kcj-cw.com> 2025年6月24日 9:14
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Congratulations on number 100. May you have many more.

-Paul N6MA

07 Result of KCJ Contest 2025

By JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

RC0L got the first prize at KCJ Contest 2025 Category Overseas (DX) again.

Our Associate Members also achieved excellent results in the KCJ Contest 2025. VR2GP Tsui ranked No. 1 in Hong Kong and 5th overall, while DF7TV Tom achieved No. 1 in Germany and 20th overall. Congratulations to both of them on these remarkable accomplishments!

DX (overseas)																				
Rank	入賞	CALL	QTH	QSOs	PNTs	MULTI	SCORE	TM	UM	RR	RS	MR	MS	NF	TM	WC	OF	NL	EX	LAST
1	ALL DX	RCOL	19	374	706	150	105900	2	9	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	6	0	20:57
2	ALL DX	K6XX	03	416	741	120	88920	2	3	0	0	1	6	6	2	1	1	18	0	20:58
3	ALL DX	RCOD	19	378	709	122	86498	3	2	0	0	1	2	6	0	1	0	6	0	20:21
4		N6RK	03	305	534	102	54468	5	7	0	0	0	3	3	1	0	0	15	0	20:59
5	Hong Kong	VR2GP	24	258	472	100	47200	2	0	0	0	4	3	1	0	0	0	7	0	18:07
6		NT6X	03	255	433	83	35939	0	6	0	0	3	2	4	1	0	1	17	0	13:21
7		RAOLMK	19	173	318	104	33072	1	3	0	0	2	0	2	1	1	0	3	0	20:44
8	China	BH4HKZ	24	184	320	93	29760	1	8	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	5	0	19:59
9		BH4BFS	24	141	251	77	19327	1	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	5	0	20:56
10		BI4VIP	24	150	274	70	19180	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	20:59
11	Singapore	9V1YC	28	136	237	68	16116	2	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	20:18
12		N6TR	03	126	229	49	11221	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	20:59
13		BD40J	24	170	268	41	10988	1	2	0	0	8	0	4	0	3	0	14	0	19:30
14	Australia	VK2GR	30	103	186	49	9114	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	7	0	18:33
15		BD6IUT	24	101	159	39	6201	1	7	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	8	0	19:14
16	Korea	HL5JZ	25	88	116	48	5568	1	1	1	26	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	20:15
17	Canada	VE7ZO	03	71	132	42	5544	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	22:36
18		BA4AE0	24	72	117	43	5031	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	19:02
19		W5GCX	04	77	112	34	3808	5	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	20:41
20	Germany	DF7TV	14	45	85	29	2465	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20:44
21		BA4TB	24	41	73	32	2336	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	20:37
22		VK2PN	30	52	87	26	2262	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	15:19
23		K6RB	03	50	88	25	2200	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	22:50
24		BI4JUB	24	36	62	21	1302	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18:02
25		HL5YI	25	25	40	16	640	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	19:04
26		ROC	19	21	40	15	600	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11:03
27		RNOCW	19	21	34	11	374	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	14:19
28	Hungary	HA7MF	15	14	28	13	364	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20:57
29		BI4MPH	24	16	30	11	330	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	07:46
30		N6MU	03	12	24	11	264	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	08:19
31		HG8W	15	13	24	11	264	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20:57
32		VE7JKZ	03	13	24	10	240	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	23:10
33	Netherlands	PA3AM	14	12	22	8	176	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	05:38
34		BA6QH	24	7	12	6	72	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	22:16
35	Ukraine	US5VX	16	9	14	5	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17:40
36		9V1PL	28	6	10	5	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	01:21
37		AI6SL	03	5	9	4	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13:53
38	New Zealand	ZL4TE	32	9	11	3	33	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14:43
39		UR7EC	16	4	8	4	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20:31
40		DK3AX	14	3	6	3	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	01:27
41	EU Russia	RA5AV	16	4	6	3	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	05:40
42	Belarus	EW1FM	16	2	4	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	02:02
43		DS3EXT	25	2	4	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20:58
44	Greece	SV1IU	20	5	3	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	17:13
45		YD4FYI	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
46		ON7PQ	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

<https://kcj-cw.com/contest/result/2025> 46 kcj ja .pdf

【KCJCA】

KCJ issues the award KCJCA (Keymen's Club of Japan Contest Award) for the achievement of working many Japanese prefectures/districts.

By participating in contests organized by KCJ and through the confirmation of QSOs with different Japanese prefectures/districts based on the submitted logs of both parties, a PDF award will be granted free of charge.

Since 2021, QSOs from the KCJ Contest in August and the TOPBAND Contest in February have been continuously accumulated in the system. The basic award starts at 25 points, and with a maximum of 62 points per band, the total score can reach up to 434 points across seven bands.



As President of KCJ, I am pleased to issue such beautiful PDF certificates under my name for the KCJCA (Keymen's Club of Japan Contest Award). These awards are open to participants around the world, and every confirmed QSO with Japanese prefectures and districts counts toward your score.

We warmly encourage all Associate Members worldwide to join future KCJ-sponsored contests, enjoy friendly competition with Japanese and overseas operators alike, and take this opportunity to work toward the KCJCA award. Your active participation will make

our contests even more vibrant and internationally connected.

For reference, the next KCJ Contest will be held in August 2026, and the next TOPBAND Contest in February 2026.

Details, rules, and log submission procedures are always available on our official website: <https://kcj-cw.com>.

We look forward to seeing your call signs in the logs!

08 OEM: Online Eyeball Meetings

By JH1ASG Makoto Nakamura

KCJ occasionally holds OEM: Online Eyeball Meetings via Zoom in JAPANESE. The below is the picture of the attendees of the latest OEM held in July and September 2025. If you would like to participate, we will provide you with the Zoom URL.

KCJ regularly hosts **OEM (Online Eyeball Meetings)** via Zoom. These are casual online gatherings conducted in Japanese, where members come together not only to talk about amateur radio but also to share everyday stories, hobbies, and laughter.

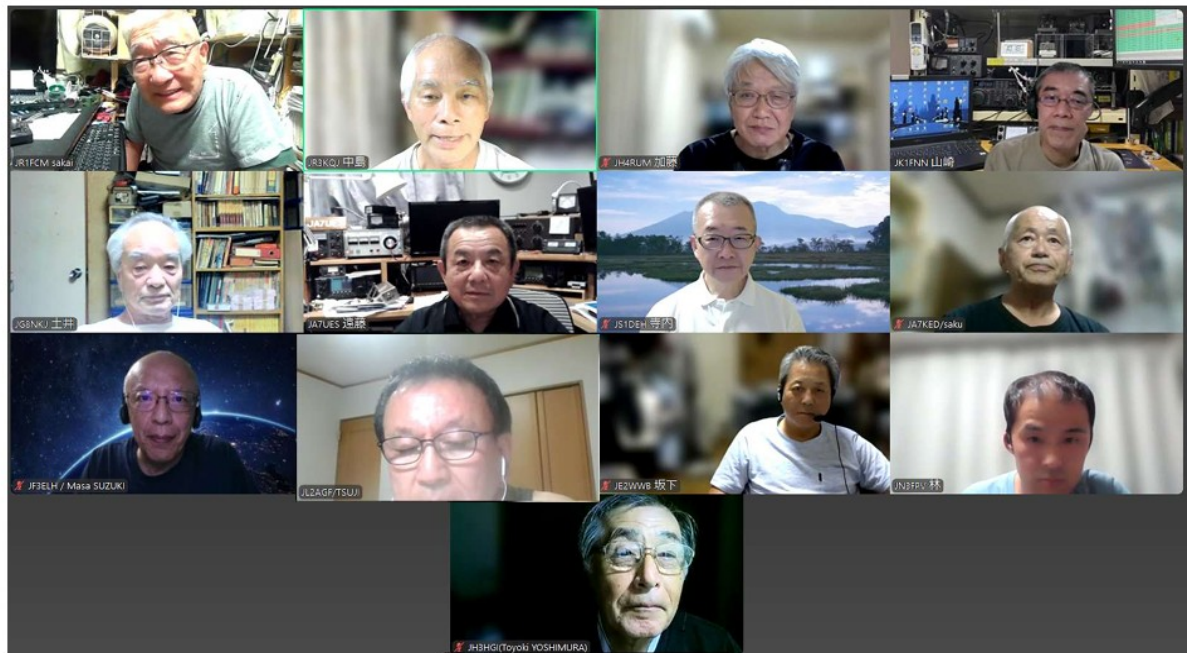
During the third quarter of 2025, meetings were held in July and September, bringing many friends together on screen. Beyond call signs and contest logs, OEM is the opportunity to see familiar faces, hear real voices, and feel the warmth of our community. It is truly a moment of “**friendship beyond the airwaves.**”

Because the meetings are conducted in Japanese, a certain level of understanding is required. Still, if you already understand Japanese or are currently learning it, you are warmly encouraged to join. You will have the opportunity to experience a “**friendship QSO**” that can never be captured in a logbook, and to connect with KCJ members in real time.

If you wish to participate, we will be happy to provide you with the Zoom link in advance. The atmosphere is always friendly and welcoming—we look forward to seeing you online!

31st KCJ Online Eyeball Meeting

1-1 スト:JA7UES 2025年7月24日(金) 20:00~Zoom



JR1FCM	JR3KQJ	JH4RUM	JK1FNN
JG8NKJ	JA7UES	JS1DEH	JA7KED
JF3ELH	JL2AGF	JE2WWB	JN3FPV
	JH3HGI		

32nd KCJ Online Eyeball Meeting

1-1 ホスト:JA7UES 2025年9月19日(金) 20:00~Zoom



JG8NKJ	JR3KQJ	JK1FNN	JA7UES
JH4RUM	JA7KED	JE2WWB	JM6EKY
JN3FPV	JA3RDU	JF3ELH	wao rinn?

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