



KCJ NEWSLETTER

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Celebrating the 100th Issue of Our Club Magazine “KCJ NEWSLETTER”

A Milestone Worth Remembering

Dear Honorary Associate Members,

It is exactly with great joy and pride that we announce the 100th issue of our cherished club magazine “KCJ NEWSLETTER.” This milestone is not just a testament to the longevity of our publication but also a reflection of the unwavering support and enthusiasm from our valued members—your contributions and engagement have been the cornerstone of this journey.

Over the years, our magazine has striven to be more than just a publication - it’s a window into our vibrant community, showcasing our shared interests, achievements, and aspirations. Reaching the 100th issue is a moment of celebration for us all, and it epitomizes the collective effort and dedication that have made this possible.

We invite you to join us in commemorating this significant achievement. Let us look forward to continuing this wonderful legacy together, with hopes of many more inspiring issues to come.

Thank you for being an integral part of this journey. We look ahead to building even stronger connections and creating lasting memories through our magazine and other club endeavors.

Warm regards,

Makoto Nakamura
JH1ASG/JH0CEO/W3FO
President
Keymen’s Club of Japan

PS.

Below is the opening of the first issue of the KCJ NEWSLETTER. This is the very first step on the journey to today's 100th issue. Owing to our previous editor JA8AJE/MASA, we have been able to get to this point. we would like to express our deep gratitude to him.

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KCJ welcomes first overseas member.

After reshaping its regulations and bylaws, KCJ now welcomes its very first overseas member, Bevan Davey VK4CXQ from Australia. It has been a long concern of the club to expand its membership to overseas CW enthusiasts. By conducting tentative general meeting with written form, members agreed to change the regulations partially in order to accept membership from abroad.

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JARL Tokyo Branch CW Contest 2024

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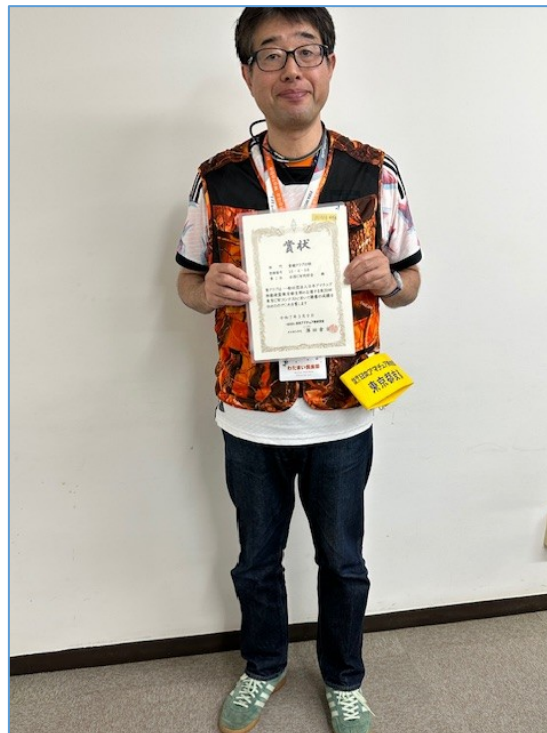
Makoto Nakamura

KCJ is a registered club of Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) Tokyo Branch.

In October 2024, KCJ members participated in the Tokyo CW Contest sponsored by JARL Tokyo Branch and won the first place in the club competition. The mode for this contest is CW only, and the frequency is 3.5-430MHz. The score is 1 point for 1 QSO, and 2 points for QSO with an amateur station in Tokyo.

As a result of adding up the scores of KCJ members nationwide, KCJ came in the 1st place out of 26 clubs that entered. The JARL Tokyo Branch Conference was held in April 2024, and I was awarded the 1st place on behalf of the club on the stage.

JH1ASG NAKA holds the 1st place award after the award ceremony.



03

The 46th KCJ Contest Rules



Your Log Submission is Indispensable.

1. **Name of Contest:** The 46th KCJ Contest.
2. **Period:** Starts 1200 UTC August 16 2025. Ends 1200 UTC August 17, 2025.
3. **Categories and codes:**

Participants in Japan (JA):	CP,CL,CM,CH: Single-Operator Multi-band
	C**: Single-Operator Single-band (e.g. C18 for 1.8MHz)
	CMM: Multi-Operator
Participants in overseas	DX: Multi-band
All participants	SWL: Multi-band
	EX: Check Log

Any kind of assistance for station operations for a category of Single Operator is prohibited. However, you may use "QSO finding assistance" such as, but not limited to, DX cluster, CW skimmer, Reverse Beacon Network and so on.

4. **Bands:** 1.8 through 50MHz, except 3.8 MHz band and WARC ones.

Suggested frequencies:

1801-1825 kHz, 3510-3530 kHz, 7010-7040 kHz, 14050-14080 kHz,
21050-21080 kHz, 28050-28080 kHz, 50.050-50.090 MHz

There is no limitation in frequency range indicated above on 1.8 MHz band for the stations overseas.

On the other hand, JA stations are limited to be on 1801-1820 kHz and they are allowed to get on 1820-1825 kHz only if they call DX stations.

5. **Mode:** CW.
6. **Exchange:**

JA:	RST plus Prefecture/district code (e.g., 599 TK)
DX:	RST plus CQ Zone number (e.g., 599 03)

7. **Point:** All logs will be collated with each other and each complete contact on each band counts points as follows.

For JA: one (1) point for a contact with JA, two (2) points with DX

For DX: two (2) points for a contact with JA, one (1) point with others.

When logs of other stations you contacted are not submitted, those contacts do not count points. Therefore, YOUR LOG SUBMISSION IS INDISPENSABLE.

8. **Multipliers** For JA: Each prefecture/district and CQ Zone worked on each band
For DX: Each prefecture/district in JA worked on each band

9. **Scoring:** Multiplying total points by total multipliers

10. **Log instructions:**

Cabrillo file format or JARL file format are recommended.

- a. Each entry must be accompanied by summary sheet showing all scoring information, name and street-address of a participant.
- b. A QSO data should contain date, time, band, call sign and exchanges both sent and received.
- c. JA must log the time of all QSO in JST and DX does it in UTC.
- d. Output power must be described in the log of the category QRP.
- e. Names of all operators must be described in the log of the category Multi Operator.

11. **Log submission:**

- a. Web upload of logs is available at https://kcj-cw.com/e_index.htm
- b. Logs in Cabrillo format may be submitted directly to e-mail address described below.

Be sure to put your call sign in the subject line of your e-mail.

2025kcjtest(a)kcj-cw.com (Please replace (a) with @)

- c. Paper logs may be mailed to

Mr. Hitoshi Tanaka JH4RAL

4-31-13-513, Ohe, Ohtsu-City, Shiga Prefecture, 520-2141 JAPAN

12. **Log Deadline:** 1500 UTC September 1, 2025 for all logs.

13. **Releasing Results:**

Results will be emailed twice to stations that provide their email addresses and submit

logs.

The First Email: The preliminary results will be sent in early September.

The Second Email: The official results will be sent in mid-September. Simultaneously, we will announce the official results on the KCJ Website. KCJ Newsletter for the KCJ Associate Members will publish the final results at the end of September.

Please access the URL written on the above second email for the official results, a certificate (winners only), a participation certificate and an award KCJCA.

If you do not receive the email after the due date, please contact us at the contact address below.

14. **Awards:** Certificates will be awarded to several high rank entrants and the top in each prefecture/district for JA and the top of each entity.
The number of the stations to be awarded depends on the number of participants.
Award for SWL follows the same policy.
15. **Certificate of participation:** KCJ proves the participation of entrants in KCJ Contest with the certificate on which your call sign, name, score and rank appear.
16. **KCJCA:** KCJ issues the award KCJCA (Keymen's Club of Japan Contest Award) for the achievement of working many Japanese prefectures/districts.
17. **Prohibition:** Two or more simultaneous signals for a single operator
Two or more operation positions for multi operator
Two or more signals on a band for multi operator
18. **Disqualification:** Participants are expected to follow laws of each country and the KCJ Contest rules. KCJ contest committee makes the final decision to disqualify a violator.
19. **Appeal:** If you have any objections to the preliminary results, please submit it with specific evidence to the contact address below within five days of the reception of the first email in September.
46kcj-qstn(a)kcj-cw.com (Please replace(a)with @)

REFERENCE

Japanese Prefecture/District codes

1. Area 1 (for JA1 through JS1, 7J1 and 7K1-7N4)
CB: Chiba GM: Gumma IB: Ibaraki KN: Kanagawa
MT: Minamitorishima OG: Ogasawara ST: Saitama TG: Tochigi
TK: Tokyo YN: Yamanashi
2. Area 2 (for JA2 through JS2)
AC: Aichi GF: Gifu ME: Mie SO: Shizuoka
3. Area 3 (for JA3 through JS3)
HG: Hyogo KT: Kyoto NR: Nara OS: Osaka
SI: Shiga WK: Wakayama
4. Area 4 (for JA4 through JS4)
HS: Hiroshima OY: Okayama SN: Shimane TT: Tottori
YG: Yamaguchi
5. Area 5 (for JA5 through JS5)
EH: Ehime KA: Kagawa KC: Kochi TS: Tokushima
6. Area 6 (for JA6 through JS6)
FO: Fukuoka KG: Kagoshima KM : Kumamoto MZ: Miyazaki
NS Nagasaki ON: Okinawa OT: Oita SG: Saga
7. Area 7 (for JA7 through JS7)
AM :Aomori AT: Akita FS: Fukushima IT: Iwate
MG: Miyagi YM: Yamagata
8. Area 8 (for JA8 through JS8)
OH: Okhotsk HD: Hidaka HY: Hiyama IR: Iburi
IS: Ishikari KK: Kamikawa KR: Kushiro NM: Nemuro
OM: Oshima RM: Rumoi SB: Shiribeshi SC: Sorachi
SY: Soya TC: Tokachi

9. Area 9 (for JA9 through JS9)

FI: Fukui

IK: Ishikawa

TY: Toyama

10. Area 0 (for JA0 through JS0)

NI: Niigata

NN: Nagano

04

OEM: Online Eyeball Meetings

W3FO/JH1ASG/JH0CEO

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 May 2025. If you would like to participate, we will provide you with the Zoom URL.

30th KCJ Online Eyeball Meeting

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ホスト:JA7UES

2025年5月29日(金)20:00~Zoom



JH9FCP		JR3KQJ		JG8NKJ		JA7UES
JS1DEH		JM6EKY		JR1FCM		JE2WWB
	JA7KED		JS2AZO		JH4RUM	


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E-mail from Associate Members

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To: KCJ associate <mccorphy@gmail.com>

Dear Mr Makoto Nakamura, thank you for the news letter, congratulations on Club KCJ's activities.
We are far apart, however, I am very happy to be part of this important Japanese CLUB. I am in charge of MORSE Group, we deal with Radiotelegraphy with a maritime focus.
Anywhere in the World, Radiotelegraphy can unite People.
Thank you again. 73 Tony.

IK0PHU, Antonello Urbani.

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Introduction of KCJ Members

JH1WHH/JOE

KCJ Member Number 611

Hello, KCJ Members!



I first encountered CW when I was in elementary school. I'm not sure of the manufacturer, but it was a CB transceiver that had Morse code written on the surface, and when I pressed a key, I could transmit in A2 (modulated telegraph). That was my first encounter with CW. However, being young, I couldn't understand Morse code at all.



Later, when I was in junior high school, a friend invited me to take the national amateur radio

operator exam, and on a whim, I tried to pass the former JA novice "telegraph level" exam overnight, but I failed miserably... (Hi). After that, I passed another previous JA novice "telephone level," however stayed away from radio for a while as I continued to study.

When I turned 50 and had finished raising my children, I decided that I wanted to try CW after all, and started again in earnest.

I struggled with Morse after a long time, but after obtaining my 3rd class amateur radio license, I got into CW operation and continued to operate in CW mode as I passed the 2nd and 1st class amateur radio. CW is deep, and the more I learn about it, the more I am drawn to its charm.

Currently, my operating style is mainly mobile operation, and I enjoy CW mainly. I especially love operating outdoors, and I QRV from various locations such as mountains and seaside. I enjoy going out to the field with a lightweight rig and a Whip antenna.

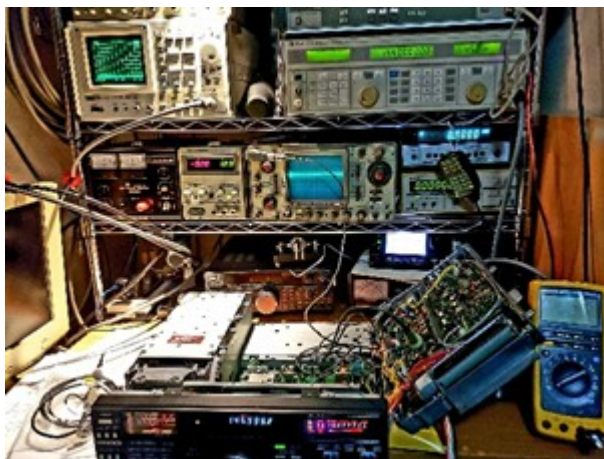


The appeal of CW is that it allows long distance communication with simple equipment. Recently, I've also become interested in QRP operation, and I've realized that it works surprisingly well even with an output of less than 5W. My favorite rigs are IC-705 and KIT QRP machines, and I mainly operate on the 10 MHz band.

The best part of mobile operation is being able to encounter unexpected DX QSOs in a variety of locations. Spreading out your rig in nature and sending Morse code in silence is a special experience for me.



Another thing I enjoy is restoring radios and making electronic devices. Whenever I find time, I grab a soldering iron and engage in a constant process of trial and error. However, there are many times when I don't know if I'm making or destroying something... (Hi). Still, it's fun to learn and scratch my head thinking, "So that's how it works!", and I work hard every day to improve my skills.



I will soon reach full retirement age (65 years old). I would like to continue to hone my CW skills and operate from various locations. When you can hear my signal, please call me!

73 & FB DX !

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