



Welcome to this edition of *BrassPounder*, which covers FISTS CW Club Europe's [on-air activities](#).

Ladder October 2017

Entrant	Comments
Phil 2E0DPH	Please find my log for October Ladder Very good to work a few members on the first Sunday /P from Skirlaugh Nr Hull and great condx again on the second Sunday, nice to work one of our newer members SP2SWI Mariusz for the first time. 73 Phil 2E0DPH Fists 14543
Peter G4LHI	G4LHI. Log for Oct 2017. Very much better condnx this session. Sorry missed evening session on Sunday 22nd. Enjoyed the challenge as always. Looking forward to Nov. mni tnx to all taking part. 73/88 mni tnx Graham, David & Ian
John G4LRG	Plenty of activity again with some reasonable conditions. Thanks to all for the points
Richard G6HH	Just a few more points
Emil I5EFO	It's always a great fun ! HPE CUAGN. 73 de Emil I5EFO
Mik III2FIST	THE BANDS WERE OPENED, NICE SHOT 73's de II2FIST MiK #18180 (IZ2FME - MM0FME - FISTS NR. 18103)
Derek M0DRK	Hi Gra, My log for October, all very nice cw qosos, See you next month, Derek, M0DRK, 8344
Pete M5ABN	Good fun as usual Vy 73 Pete
Mark M6MEN	Thank you
Jarmo OH2BN	73 - Jarmo OH2BN FISTS #16593
Erkki OH7QR	Hello Graham, Here comes my log for October. Conditions seem to improve slowly. Many thanks and 73 de Erkki OH7QR nr 8318
Mariusz SP2SWI	K2 100W, GP antenna for 20m and dipole for 40m. Straight key TK from Soviet Army and Bug Vibroplex. This time 8 QSOs. Thank you very much. Vy 73

Callsign	Posn	Prev	Move	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
G4LRG	1	1	-	797	26	84	102	88	82	74	75	94	82	90
I5ECW	2	2	-	606	60	58	74	57	51	67	64	66	53	56
I5EFO	3	4	↑	555	41	52	48	48	48	72	57	68	58	63
M5ABN	4	3	↓	554	63	56	60	46	60	69	55	45	47	53
G4LHI	5	6	↑	464	61	44	53	48	35	44	46	39	34	60
G6HH	6	5	↓	456	45	39	60	31	54	46	45	49	44	43
OH7QR	7	7	-	365	38	63	32	15	28	41	40	30	47	31
G3XVL	8	8	-	363	45	34	39	29	60		19	61	26	50
DK3DUA	9	9	-	344	55	73	58	17		52	15	28	14	32
2E0DPH	10	10	-	329	49	51	30	29	14	26	29	29	34	38
SP9NLI	11	11	-	305	31	46	47	44	15	13	24	21	31	33
IZ2FME	12	12	-	270	49	73	73	37		38				
M0DRK	13	13	-	193	33	28	16		20	18	12	24	24	18
M6MEN	14	14	-	98	30	27				6	29			6
OH2BN	15	15	-	80	9	3	9	6		23	3	9	12	6
II2FIST	16	16	-	70							70			
G3ZRJ	17	17	-	64			11			47		6		
SV2BBK	18	18	-	62	9		18	13		6			13	3
PA1ALV	19	19	-	46	7	5				25		9		
SP2SWI	20	29	↑	45								17		28
G0DDX	21	20	↓	42	33	9								
III2FIST	=22	-	↑	30										30
IW2JJS	=22	21	↓	30							10	20		
EA7KB	=24	-	↑	25										25
OK1PSI	=24	=22	↓	25	8	6			6		5			
OK2VWB	=24	=22	↓	25	13	12								
2E0EML	27	24	↓	22		13	9							
GM0EPO	=28	=25	↓	21								15	6	
PA1LEX	=28	=25	↓	21	18	3								
G4KLE	30	27	↓	20							20			
HA7HF	31	28	↓	18						18				
G0OTT	=32	=30	↓	16	16									
OF5ZA	=32	=30	↓	16						16				
DM4RW	=34	=32	↓	9				9						
G3ZOD	=34	=32	↓	9			3		6					
M0SHM	=34	=32	↓	9	3	6								
OZ8AGB	=34	35	↑	9		6								3
G7JMZ	38	36	↓	5	2		3							
MX5IPX*				42	18		9		15					

Some favourable comments this month regarding band condx. Nice to see Mariusz joining in and getting mentioned too (so much power Mariusz!!). Interesting comment on the Russian army key: I have a Czech army key and it is delightful to use, I wonder whether we might hear / see more about the Russian?

Americas

Why not consider joining in the [FISTS Americas Cumulatives](#). From March to October (inclusive), the second hour of the evening Ladder coincides with the first hour of the Cumulatives (1900–2000 UTC), so you can submit QSOs during this hour for both activities.

Here is the full list of [upcoming activities](#).

November 2017

First day	Last day	Event	Times
Fri 17 Nov		FISTS Eu Day Hopper	0800, 1300, 1800 UTC for 1 hour
Mon 20 Nov		FISTS Eu Day Hopper	0800, 1300, 1800 UTC for 1 hour
Sun 26 Nov		FISTS Eu Ladder	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC
Sun 26 Nov		FISTS Am Cumulatives	2000-2200 UTC
Tue 28 Nov		FISTS Eu Day Hopper	0800, 1300, 1800 UTC for 1 hour

December 2017

First day	Last day	Event	Times
Sun 03 Dec	Sat 09 Dec	FISTS Eu Straight Key Week	0001-2200 UTC
Mon 04 Dec		FISTS Eu Day Hopper	0800, 1300, 1800 UTC for 1 hour
Sun 10 Dec		FISTS Eu Ladder	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC
Sun 10 Dec		FISTS Am Cumulatives	2000-2200 UTC
Tue 12 Dec		FISTS Eu Day Hopper	0800, 1300, 1800 UTC for 1 hour
Wed 20 Dec		FISTS Eu Day Hopper	0800, 1300, 1800 UTC for 1 hour
Sun 24 Dec		FISTS Eu Ladder	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC

Sun 24 Dec	FISTS Am Cumulatives	2000-2200 UTC
Thu 28 Dec	FISTS Eu Day Hopper	0800, 1300, 1800 UTC for 1 hour
Fri 29 Dec	FISTS Eu Day Hopper	0800, 1300, 1800 UTC for 1 hour

Don't forget the newly installed Straight Key Week in DECEMBER for further details see the website. That's all for this month. If you'd like to read previous *BrassPounders*, they are [available on the website](#).

I wonder how many of you have the little QCX working yet? Mine is now fully commissioned and in a nice aluminium case. There are thousands ordered and I know from emails that many FISTS have one (or on order). Could we have a QCX on the air day in the spring?

I am now tasked with sending Graham the activities for the new year: if you have anything specific that you'd like to see included (or I guess excluded!) do please email or tell me on air.

Until next time,

Keep the brass warm,

73

David G4YVM

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