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**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**TO ALL**

**FISTS UNITED KINGDOM AND EUROPEAN MEMBERS**

**KEYNOTE NEWSLETTER**

Paul Webb, M0BMN has volunteered to assist Geo by becoming the new Editor of "Keynote" the FISTS U.K. and European Newsletter. We would like to thank Geo for all his efforts over the years in producing Keynote, which was widely read by Down Under Members in Australia and New Zealand. His newsletter each month was copied and printed and forwarded with the FISTS Down Under newsletter.

In order to assist Paul in his new capacity as Editor of Keynote, if you have any items of news, a short article, a photograph of a special Morse Key or something you feel will be of interest to FISTS at large, you are asked to forward it to him either by e-mail or post.

**N.B. If you are sending something to Paul as an attachment please state in the text exactly what is contained in your attachment. Failure to comply with this request will result in Deletion.**

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**RENEWALS AND MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**

You will be aware that the UK FISTS Secretary and Key Note Editor Geo Longden, G3ZQS #0002 has been unwell for some time and is not as active in FISTS matters, as he would wish. To ease Geo's workload, the membership records will be managed forthwith by the UK QSL manager Chuck Spence M0AVW #2896. Renewals and membership inquiries should be sent to Chuck at:

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**Until the financial aspects can be sorted out, please make cheques payable to "C W Spence".**

**In the meantime, if you are prepared to help in the management of YOUR club, assist Geo and his assistants in any way or have any queries, please contact Chuck, Paul, Ralph (ZL2AOH) or myself (ZL2TX).**

**DOWN UNDER NEWS**

**COMMONWEALTH CW CONTEST 2006**

Open to stations licensed in Britain and Commonwealth Mandated Territories ONLY

If you intend participating in this very popular CW Contest this coming weekend, you may be interested to know that the following Headquarters Stations will be active VK4WIA (W.I.A.-Australia) and ZL6A (N.Z.A.R.T. - New Zealand – manned by FISTS members Ken, ZL1AIH #9094 and John, ZL1BHQ # 9625). In addition the Quartz Hill Station in Wellington will be on as ZL6QH (Brian, ZL1AZE # 9078).

A request has been made that Jakey, ZL2JKY / G3JKY operate the FISTS New Zealand Headquarters Station, ZL6FF during this contest, however this has still to be confirmed,

There you are, plenty of extra multipliers on this year and no doubt more Down Under members will appear if only to hand out a few points. With the low sunspot activity I shall be very interested to see the results on 80 and 40 Metres, which I expect will exceed all expectations.

Regards,  
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Editor - FISTS Down Under Newsletter.

(Circulated to all FISTS Members in Australia and New Zealand and by e-mail to FISTS U.K. and Europe, FISTS North America and FISTS East Asia).

**PHOTOGRAPH BELOW**

Photocopy of the Original QSL Card confirming the first Amateur Radio Trans World Contact between Mill Hill School, London and Bell Station, Otago, New Zealand - 18<sup>th</sup> October 1924 - 0615 to 0730G.M.T.

TO: <u>ZL4AA</u>		MILL HILL SCHOOL, LONDON, N.W. 7, 30 miles north of London.	
YOUR SIGS <u>WGD</u> HERE AT <u>6:15-7:30 G.M.T.</u> ON <u>Oct 18, 1924</u>			
STRENGTH <u>RSA</u> QRM <u>nil</u> QRN <u>nil</u> QSB <u>2c</u> QSS <u>not used</u> QRH <u>2.5-10</u>			
TRANSMITTER	<b>G2SZ</b>		RECEIVER USED
<u>2 50</u> <small>Watt tube in balanced Hartley circuit with 2 500 cells rectified A.C. on plate. Radiation ca. 98% in 100 ft. space.</small>			<u>det. 2 stages (1.5K for 6m)</u>
<u>100p</u> <small>cap. in 2nd stage. 100p. 1st stage ca. 450p. in 2nd stage.</small>	<small>DN - Colorado, Illinois, (Georgia), Algeria, Italy, Switzerland, Spain, (France), (Holland), (Denmark), WNP. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9) distances, 10 times. Hear 10 out of 20 lights of tests, 18 by IANA.</small>		<small>AERIAL - 5 wire flat top 50ft long, 40ft lead to 4th lead. Aerial 200ft. Above rest of 350ft. building.</small>
REMARKS <u>Congratulations on the first trans-World two way working. Wonderful a.m.</u>		<u>Dec 21, 1924</u> <u>E. W. Snyder</u>	