



Greetings fellow FISTS and welcome to November's edition of Brass Pounder. I've just noticed that in the footer of last month's BP the word October was actually spelt 'Octoberber'....no one seems to have noticed, not even the usually-eagle-eyed Graham, Mr ZOD.

I have had little on-air time myself this month, partly due to my having a birthday and the associated celebrations as family gather etc (which was extremely nice of them as it's not a major milestone or anything like that.) and partly to lack of enthusiasm as mentioned before. I worked an SM on my K2 –now my main rig. I still have the KX2 on a shelf and a few Kanga 1w sets. Maybe its time to schedule another Kanga meet-up.

New members

Just glancing down our new members I see we have Hide, 7L2VPL in Japan. A nice addition to our numbers, welcome Hide.

New Members

Name	Call	No.	Name	Call	No.	Name	Call	No.
William	KJ7RTP	#23077	Max	WA8SHP	#23092	Chas	G7KXZ	#23145
Nikolaus	KJ6BEN	#23078	Roger	W1ROG	#23093	Kevin	SP2HF	#23146
David	KI5PNX	#23079	Shamim	KU2MM	#23094	John	ZL1KLF	#23147
Marcial	K5MDS	#23080	Harvey	K5NR	#23095	Jon	EA1HET	#23148
Mike	KO6GHY	#23081	Ryan	KB1V	#23096	Tassos	5B4APQ	#23149
Jimi	AJ7GW	#23082	Kenneth	N8KH	#23097	York Radio Club (YRC)	GX1YRC	#23150
Rajesh	KR4CPZ	#23083	Kevin	K3IY	#23098	Henry	G5NOO	#23151
Travis	W0DTM	#23084	Oshan	VA3WNO	#23099	Ralph	DL6RH	#23152
John	W1NET	#23085	Ian	EI3LH	#23134	Bart	EI2041	#23153
Don	W4BHJ	#23086	Kevin	EI6LH	#23135	Eric	F5AUI	#23154
Rafael	WP4ROC	#23087	Raph	F4LUB	#23136	Ian	M0KFH	#23155
John	AA8UP	#23088	Lorenzo	IU1BOT	#23137	Alex	G0ATV	#23156
Hugh	WA2ZOT	#23089	Ingo	DL2AAA	#23138	Curt	WA8GMY	#23201
Corey	N3FE	#23090	Pete	MM3OLJ	#23139			
Joe	KZ4WC	#23091	Hide	7L2VPL	#23141			

I've not had any emails from anyone recently but that may be my own radio silence causing it, so I shall be Mr Brevity again and say, keep pounding brass brothers! (and sisters).

73

David G4YVM

Awards

Name	Callsign	Member	Awards
Ian	G4MLW	#130	Millionaire 19 & 20 Million Endorsements
Scott	KW4NJA	#21767	Basic Century Silver Century Gold Century Millionaire, Millionaire 2–11 Million Endorsements Prefix, Prefix 50–150 Endorsements

Ladder October 2025: Comments

Entrant	Comments
Phil M9PHL 2E0DPH	Good to be back with my new callsign. Previous was 2E0DPH Thanks to all 73
Alan 2E0YEM	Thanks for the QSOs.
Jean F6JOE	Good fun ! 73 Jean F6JOE - FISTS 16177
Jean-Jacques F5IJO	Hello everyone, Here's my oct log. Ladder is still hard for me, conflicts in activities! Jean-Jacques - F5IJO FISTS#17008 LICW#5902
Simon G0FOZ	Conditions variable on the first session this month. Not going to be QRV on the second session this month so missing you already ;-) 73 Simon G0FOZ
John G0UBE	Only able to operate on the first weekend. Thanks to all the members that worked me.
Robin G4DNP	Another enjoyable daytime session on 40m 73/72 Robin
Richard G4TPJ	FT840
John G4YTJ	Ladder sessions have clashed with other activities recently so only one period of operating this month and only 2 QSOs in that!
Steve M0SHM	Great fun as always and condx not too bad.
Pete M5ABN	Log for October, thanks to all who took part. 73 Pete #6423
Gary M9RTG	2E0JYZ on 12th October FISTS#22919 M9RTG on 26th October FISTS#22919 Callsign change to M9RTG via Ofcom phasing out 2E0 and 2E1 project. FISTS# 22919
Alan MW0BGL	Please find attached my Ladder entry for October. All entries made on the 12th were stations I worked whilst /p on the island of Eday, Orkney, using a dipole thrown over the roof of the crofter's cottage we were staying in. Had a few nice QSOs from there in spite of a very rudimentary antenna set up. I also found the noise floor to be (perhaps understandably) quite low there. Best 73, Alan Mw0bgl 16507
Erkki OH7QR	Hello David, please find attached my Ladder log. Tnx and 73 de Erkki OH7QR
Norbert ON4ANE	Hello David, condx + low activity on session 2 26/10/2025 73 de Norbert ON4ANE

Ladder October 2025: Results

Callsign	Posn	Prev	Move	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
M5ABN	1	1	-	708	78	63	72	78	67	86	60	58	71	75
MW0BGL	2	2	-	547	54	65	72	51	63	55	33	53	52	49
ON4ANE	3	3	-	523	52	63	54	57	54	49	49	47	53	45
G0FOZ	4	5	↑	417	6	39	59	45	49	71	57	34	37	20
G3XVL	5	4	↓	413	69	83	63	52	69	65	12			
M0SHM	6	7	↑	331	33	45	36	33	36	27	21	30	36	34
M0PBZ	7	6	↓	302	49	57	60	33	51	52				
G4YTJ	8	9	↑	268	33	18	46	42	18	36	21	48		6
G3ZRJ	9	8	↓	264	35	69	64				32	64		
OH7QR	10	10	-	262	23	39	18	28	24	13	31	25	28	33
F6JOE	11	13	↑	218	27	12	33	21	18	16		30	28	33
M7TSM	12	11	↓	204	22	21	27	33	33	21	21	26		
MM0UMH	13	12	↓	203	38	62		29	22	22		6	15	9
2E0DPH	14	14	-	161	42	63	32							24
G4TJE	15	15	-	154	16	26	33	8	8	8		7	23	25
G4DNP	16	17	↑	109	19	12	10	6	12			13	22	15
PA0SIM	17	16	↓	96	30	27	24		15					
G0DFC	18	18	-	90	42	30	18							
G4TPJ	19	19	-	84	33	9	24							18
G4KKU	20	20	-	81	6		6	18		6	6	12	6	21
2E0YEM	21	27	↑	71									29	42
G4YTK	22	21	↓	54	9	21	3	6	6					9
G0UBE	23	23	-	51			22					14		15
M9RTG	24	-	↑	42										42
DL6NAN	25	22	↓	37						37				
G0JHK	=26	=24	↓	34	34									
G0TRT	=26	=24	↓	34									34	
G3PCL	=28	=29	↑	30				3	6		3	6	6	6
OH2BN	=28	26	↓	30					12	6		6	6	
SQ9S	30	28	↓	28	28									
M0MCL	31	=29	↓	24	24									
M0KBJ	32	31	↓	19		19								
DL3GJ	33	32	↓	17		1			16					
G0BON	34	33	↓	15									15	
F5IJO	35	34	↓	9		3	3							3
EI2KA	=36	=35	↓	3		3								
HA2ZB	=36	-	↑	3										3
M0YRU	=36	=35	↓	3		1							2	
M0HGG	39	37	↓	2									2	
M7YRU	40	38	↓	1		1								

Upcoming Events

December 2025

First day	Event	Times
Sun 14 Dec	FISTS Ladder	1400-1559 UTC, 1800-1959 UTC
Sun 28 Dec	FISTS Ladder	1400-1559 UTC, 1800-1959 UTC

January 2026

First day	Event	Times
Thu 01 Jan	ICWC Top 9 Quarter 1 season starts	24 hours each day UTC
Thu 01 Jan	EuCW Snakes & Ladders winter/spring season starts	24 hours each day UTC
Sun 11 Jan	FISTS Ladder	1400-1559 UTC, 1800-1959 UTC
Thu 15 Jan	FISTS Bug Key 24 Hour Sprint	0000-2359 UTC
Sun 25 Jan	FISTS Ladder	1400-1559 UTC, 1800-1959 UTC
