



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

## Ladder May 2017

### Comments Received:

Entrant	Comments
<b>Graham as G3ZOD &amp; MX5IPX</b>	Station: 20 Watts into an indoor dipole. 73 de Graham G3ZOD
<b>Peter G4LHI</b>	G4LHI. Log for May I 2017.  Tuff going at times but 80m proved successful. Enjoyed the challenge as always.  Looking forward to June.  73/88 mni tnx Graham
<b>John G4LRG</b>	Once again some poor conditions and the Contest made it difficult on 40m but really enjoyable.
<b>Richard G6HH</b>	Thank goodness there are two sessions to choose from!  Richard
<b>Emil I5EFO</b>	Second session with WPX CW qrm, but it was equally fun.  73 de Emil I5EFO
<b>Pete M5ABN</b>	Good fun as usual with some challenging condx.  Vy 73 Pete
<b>Erkki OH7QR</b>	Hello Graham. Here comes my log. Condx remaining poor!  And about the wx here – it's very bad. Temp is now only 4 degrees and it is raining. And so has it been for many days, brrr. Next week will be better, I hope.  Erkki OH7QR 8318

## Ladder Table:

Callsign	Position	Previous	Movement	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
G4LRG	1	1	-	382	26	84	102	88	82
I5ECW	2	2	-	300	60	58	74	57	51
M5ABN	3	4	↑	285	63	56	60	46	60
G4LHI	4	5	↑	241	61	44	53	48	35
I5EFO	5	7	↑	237	41	52	48	48	48
IZ2FME	6	3	↓	232	49	73	73	37	
G6HH	7	8	↑	229	45	39	60	31	54
G3XVL	8	12	↑	207	45	34	39	29	60
DK3DUA	9	6	↓	203	55	73	58	17	
SP9NLI	10	9	↓	183	31	46	47	44	15
OH7QR	11	11	-	176	38	63	32	15	28
2E0DPH	12	10	↓	173	49	51	30	29	14
M0DRK	13	13	-	97	33	28	16		20
M6MEN	14	14	-	57	30	27			
G0DDX	15	15	-	42	33	9			
SV2BBK	16	16	-	40	9		18	13	
OH2BN	17	17	-	27	9	3	9	6	
OK2VWB	18	18	-	25	13	12			
2E0EML	19	19	-	22		13	9		
PA1LEX	20	20	-	21	18	3			
OK1PSI	21	22	↑	20	8	6			6
G0OTT	22	21	↓	16	16				
PA1ALV	23	23	-	12	7	5			
G3ZRJ	24	24	-	11			11		
DM4RW	=25	=25	-	9				9	
G3ZOD	=25	29	↑	9			3		6
M0SHM	=25	=25	-	9	3	6			
OZ8AGB	28	27	↓	6		6			
G7JMZ	29	28	↓	5	2		3		
MX5IPX*				42	18		9		15

\*=Check log

## QRU?

Please 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.

On Sunday morning June 25<sup>th</sup>, there is the [RSGB 6m CW Contest](#). This is good fun and a lot more relaxed than HF contests, so if you can get on 6m please do come on and give it some support, ideally by sending in a log. If you come across any FISTS members (and they will be there!), the QSOs will count towards awards, and in particularly the Millionaire series where you can have QSOs with the same member on different bands. Note that you don't need to exchange FISTS member numbers for this – just a contest QSO will suffice.

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

## June 2017

First day	Event	Times
Sun 11 Jun	<a href="#">FISTS Eu Ladder</a>	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC
Sun 11 Jun	<a href="#">FISTS Am Cumulatives</a>	1900-2100 UTC
Sun 25 Jun	<a href="#">RSGB 6m CW Contest</a>	0900-1200 UTC
Sun 25 Jun	<a href="#">FISTS Eu Ladder</a>	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC
Sun 25 Jun	<a href="#">FISTS Am Cumulatives</a>	1900-2100 UTC

## July 2017

First day	Event	Times
Sat 01 Jul	<a href="#">FISTS Am Summer Slow Speed Sprint</a>	0000-0400 UTC
Sat 01 Jul	<a href="#">EuCW Snakes &amp; Ladders</a> <a href="#">summer/autumn season starts</a>	0000 UTC
Sat 08 Jul	<a href="#">FISTS Am Summer Unlimited Sprint</a>	0000-0400 UTC
Sun 09 Jul	<a href="#">FISTS Eu Ladder</a>	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC
Sun 09 Jul	<a href="#">FISTS Am Cumulatives</a>	1900-2100 UTC
Sun 23 Jul	<a href="#">FISTS Eu Ladder</a>	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC
Sun 23 Jul	<a href="#">FISTS Am Cumulatives</a>	1900-2100 UTC

“Eu” is FISTS CW Club Europe and “Am” is FISTS CW Club Americas.

That's all for this month. If you'd like to read previous *BrassPounders*, they are [available on the website](#).

Have fun with CW!

73 de Graham G3ZOD  
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