



Welcome to this edition of *BrassPounder*, which covers FISTS CW Club Europe's [on-air activities](#) during November 2016. This month it includes the Ladder results to-date and the final results for the Two Metre activity.

We're still looking for someone to be FISTS CW Club Europe's **Activities Manager**, dealing with the club's 2017 on-air activities. If you can undertake this, please let myself or another member of the club's Management Team know as soon as possible.

Ladder Results

Here are the comments received:

Entrant	Comments
Laurent F5OGJ	27/11 : Difficult conditions during CQ WW contest. 80m band was a kind of refuge before the contesters went down on it. Hope to work you later in better conditions. Vy 73 Laurent #17037
Richard G0ILN	The second Sunday was truly diabolical! Including my antenna breaking half way through the activity. Richard G0ILN Fist 398
Chris G3XVL	My entry for the 13th was done using a home brew Xtal control single 6AG7 valve TX 4W o/p xtal control...great fun!
Peter G4LHI	I attach my log for the Fists Nov Ladder. Tuff going again - 40 & 20M wall to wall contesters on the 27 th . Hi. de Peter G4LHI # 2219 k
Emil I5EFO	The low propagation and contests did not help, but the fun is always great. 73 Emil I5EFO
Derek M0DRK	Hi Gra. Please find attached Log for November Ladder. On second Sunday session found it impossible to work on 40 metres due to the contest boys taking over. Thankfully 2 mtrs and 80mtrs got me a few points. Not a bad month again for me. 73 for now, Derek. M0DRK, 8344.
Pete M5ABN	Please find my Ladder log for November, Good fun as always even though we had to contend with contest on 27th 73 Pete M5ABN #6423
Mark M6MEN	Thank you. Great Fun.
Erkki OH7QR	Hello Graham. The condx on 13th were quite good, I got some 599 reports. But the session on 27th was terrible - only one QSO. CQ WW contest caused much QRM. Looking forward to SKW, hopefully we meet then. Thanks and 73 Erkki OH7QR nr 8318

This month we welcome Fanis SV2BBK to the Ladder.

There have been relatively few changes in position since October, which is what I would have expected towards the end of the year.

Ladder table:

Callsign	Pos'n	Prev	Move	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
I5ECW	1	1	-	467	36	46	30	42	41	50	41	39	44	58	40
G4LHI	2	2	-	360	36	44	34	30	30	35	23	27	31	40	30
M5ABN	3	3	-	358	17	39	38	33	37	21	27	44	27	35	40
G0ILN	4	4	-	345	22	32	42	23	29	29	28	31	35	43	31
2E0DPH	=5	6	↑	276	27	41	24	26	20	21		18	34	37	28
OH7QR	=5	5	-	276	34		18	35	35	33		33	41	31	16
G3XVL	7	8	↑	258	24	31	34	23	12	21	24	32		30	27
I5EFO	8	9	↑	255		18	22	18	21	25	25	28	34	28	36
SP9NLI	9	7	↓	248	20	28	19	20	32	30	18	13	26	34	8
M0DRK	10	10	-	211	21	23	23	16	8	22	9	16	20	31	22
OH2BN	11	11	-	114	16		8	10	13	20	8	10	11	12	6
M6MEN	12	13	↑	93	8		2	12	17	6	2	12	16	4	14
M0GGK	13	12	↓	88	4	24	8	8	20	3	8	13			
F5OGJ	14	14	-	67	26	28			4	5					4
G4RHR	15	15	-	50				7				10	12	21	
EA4BL	16	16	-	46	6		10	14	14			2			
IK0NOJ	17	17	-	40	40										
G0POT	=18	=18	-	35		24	11								
G4IZZ	=18	=18	-	35	15	20									
G3ZRJ	20	20	-	33			5	4	8	16					
DM4RW	=21	=21	-	30	10	8	2							10	
HA7HF	=21	=21	-	30		10						10	10		
G4KLE	23	23	-	28		28									
G3ZOD	24	24	-	24							4	10	10		
G0DDX	25	25	-	20	8		12								
IU1DZZ	=26	=26	-	18		8	8	2							
OZ8AGB	=26	=26	-	18	4		2		4	4	2			2	
G0OTT	28	28	-	15			15								
G4FWA	29	29	-	12	6	6									
G0HGH	30	30	-	11			11								
GW0VLN	31	31	-	10		4	4	2							
DM5RS	32	32	-	9			9								
SM7DUZ	33	33	-	6								6			
OK1PSI	34	34	-	5										5	
EI6KH	=35	=35	-	4					4						
G7JMZ	=35	=35	-	4								4			
M0SHM	=35	=35	-	4									4		
PA1FOX	=38	38	-	2		2									
SV2BBK	=38	-	↑	2											2
ON6PJ	40	39	↓	1					1						
MX5IPX*				32								12	18	2	
GX0IPX*				5									5		

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Two Metre Activity – Final Results

Here are the comments received:

Entrant	Comments
Graham G3ZOD	Station: 50 Watts into an indoor dipole. 73 de Graham G3ZOD
Peter G4LHI	I attach my log for the Fists Nov Two Metre event. Not many guys about this month. de Peter G4LHI # 2219 k
Derek M0DRK	Hi Gra. Not too many different callsigns to show I'm afraid but always good to get the local regulars. 73s Derek.
Mark M6MEN	Thank you. Great Fun.

This was the second of the two sessions, so here are the final results:

Callsign	Position	Previous	Movement	Total Points	QSOs	DX km	August	November
G4LHI	1	2	↑	430	61	158	236	194
2E0DPH	2	1	↓	418	46	182	278	140
G3XVL	3	3	-	358	26	143	218	140
G3ZOD	4	4	-	191	11	173	172	19
M6MEN	5	6	↑	172	45	84	114	58
M0DRK	6	7	↑	160	40	29	72	88
G4RHR	7	5	↓	126	6	262	126	-
G0ILN	8	8	-	26	1	139	26	-

Thank you to everyone who participated and congratulations to the winners:

- First place: **Peter G4LHI**
- Second place: **Phil 2E0DPH**
- Third place: **Chris G3XVL**

Congratulations also to:

- **Ken G4RHR** for achieving the QSO with the greatest distance.
- **Peter G4LHI** for achieving the most QSOs.

FISTS Americas Cumulatives

The results of the [FISTS Americas Cumulatives](http://fistsna.org/pdfdocs/fc_reports/FC_2016_12.pdf) activity for November are available from here:

http://fistsna.org/pdfdocs/fc_reports/FC_2016_12.pdf

The next sessions are 2000-2200 UTC on December 11 and December 25.

Regardless of where you are, please do give it a try – QSOs can be with members of any FISTS “Chapter” or with non-members. It’s along similar lines to the FISTS Europe Ladder with notable differences being

that QSOs must be a minimum of 5 minutes long, bands allowed are 80m, 40m, & 20m, and there is a single 2 hour session per Sunday, which occurs in the US afternoon and European evening. The exchange is:

RST, name, QTH or state, and member number (if applicable).

Calling "CQ FISTS" is recommended. FISTS Log Converter includes the Cumulatives from [version 3.3.0 onwards](#), so if you have an earlier version, please upgrade.

FISTS CW Club DXCC League

This is a reminder about the website page that shows the club's DXCC league, based on data from Club Log. The links to it are:

FISTS Americas: <http://fists.co.uk/dxccleague.aspx?c=am>

FISTS Down Under: <http://fists.co.uk/dxccleague.aspx?c=du>

FISTS East Asia <http://fists.co.uk/dxccleague.aspx?c=ea>

FISTS Europe <http://fists.co.uk/dxccleague.aspx?c=eu>

All FISTS Chapters: <http://fists.co.uk/dxccleague.aspx?c=all>

The league includes current (paid-up) members and is in order of the number of "slots", which is the number of DXCC entities worked on CW for each band added together. Bands from 160m to 13cm are included.

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The [next activities](#) are:

First day	Last day	Event	Times
Sun 11 Dec		FISTS Eu Ladder	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC
Sun 11 Dec		FISTS Am Cumulatives	2000-2200 UTC
Sun 25 Dec		FISTS Eu Ladder	1400-1600 UTC, 1800-2000 UTC
Sun 25 Dec		FISTS Am Cumulatives	2000-2200 UTC

(Eu = Europe, Am = Americas)

That's it 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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