

**FISTS Down Under Inc.**

**Key Change Contest**

**Saturday, 06th October, 2018 / 1000 - 1045UTC**

**Results**

QRP	FISTS #	Name	Call	Points
Y	15215	Bill	VK1MCW	16
N	14164	Steve	VK7CW	15
Y	15204	Tony	VK3TP	14
N	9057	Chris	VK1CT	12
N	14189	Michael	VK2CCW	12
N	9082	Arthur	VK2ASB	9
N	14185	David	VK2JDR	8
N	15231	David	VK3GDM	7
N	14151	Garry	VK2GAZ	6

**Certificates:**

FISTS member with the highest score:

***Bill VK1MCW #15215***

QRP operator with highest score:

***Bill VK1MCW #15215***

Thank you to all who participated.

**Comments:**

Another great contest but I didnt see anything in the rules about sending FISTS number?

I have fairly high noise here but all but conditions seemed pretty good.  
A strong signal from VK7CW!

The band was noisy at my QTH ranging from S7 to plus 15 with static crashes late in the evening but most signals came in at a good strength, mostly over S9. A little QSB on some of the interstate signals.

In the description of the contest, it was stated "...within one hour period using any mechanical key."  
It would have been nice to have had one hour and have gone up to 1100hrs UTC but for some reason we stopped at 1045.

Otherwise a good evening.  
Hope we have more of them.

Conditions were good tonight. Another quick fun contest.  
Thanks for the contest.

Thanks for the contest and contestants reports. I was using an FT-891 with the power reduced to 5 Watts into a trapped dipole. I was sending with a Himound straight key that I had previously snapped the arm in half when trying to shift it when it was Blue Tacked to the bench. Judicious silver soldering and drilling and tapping has restored it to being it quite a nice key. I had set up my receiver filter to 300Hz. QRN was up and down but around S5.