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To: JA IOTA CHASERS

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Subj: IOTA meeting in Fukuoka 2012

Congrats on your IOTA meeting in Fukuoka on 29 September, 2012. This is the same day as my 50 Year High School Reunion event in San Jose, California - USA :^)

I want to say TNX for all the great support from JA IOTA CHASERS for all of my IOTA Expeditions during 2011, and starting off the IOTA Marathon from NA-065 in 2012.

In review of my logs for the IOTA NA-041, NA-065, NA-066, NA-091, NA-184 & NA-242 Expeditions, there were more than 2,200 QSOs logged with JA IOTA CHASERS !!! Also a special TNX to Fred, N6AWD, for the excellent job as my IOTA QSL Manager.

I'm sorry that poor solar propagation put a QRX to the intended NA-172, NA-004 & NA-050 trip. FYI, I had to cancel two subsequent (unannounced) attempts for NA-050 on the day of departure due to solar flare problems. In the far Northern KL7 Latitudes area there are already many inherent propagation difficulties including the Auroral Oval. I am hoping for better overall solar condx in 2013.

If circumstances and solar condx permit, I may make one or two other IOTA Expeditions before the end of 2012 (not KL7), and will advise Shu, JN6RZM, of any info.

Enjoy your special IOTA meeting in Fukuoka, and TNX for the many IOTA QSOs !!!

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