

Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Society will be held at 19:30, on Tuesday 7th November, at the Marconi College, Arbour Lane, Chelmsford. On this occasion Greg Trice, G8DAV, G6SXX/T, will talk about and demonstrate Amateur Television.

Committee News

The Committee will be patronising the saloon bar of the "Wheatsheaf" New Street again, on Wednesday 15th, November. The first rounds will be drunk around 19:30, as usual. A 'full' attendance of committee members is requested as then there is less chance of me having to buy a round.

A preview: We hope to have a lecture on "Archaeology in December. The last such lecture was a great success, so we look forward to a good attendance.

D.F. News

The MID-ESSEX TROPHY was not competed for on October 15th, as intended as there was only one hidden station, and -

For the Thick-Skinned:- A D.F. Event will be held on Sunday 19th, November, starting at Galleywood Common at 14:00. Bring O.S. Sheets 161 and 162. To quote the organisers, "the event will be held whatever the weather". G3WMM will be the quarry. Further details if needed can be obtained from Tony, G5IX. So, the D.F. Season is emulating the soccer season now.

Other News

During the Jamboree of the Air, (21st and 22nd October) some members set up a station, GB3GBS, on the Baddow Recreation Ground, in the 1st Great Baddow Scout HQ. A favourable impression of amateur radio was given, we believe; which being interpreted is - 'We had no TVI complaints', (despite the demise of Don's LPF).

If you look back to the September newsletter, you will see a mention of an RAE class at the Mid Essex Technical College. Unfortunately, the required support was not forthcoming and the course was cancelled.

Oscar 6 has created a lot of interest locally; I have already been asked for two lots of crystals to enable it to be heard (see below). Les, G8CUT has been copying the beacon on 435.1 MHz as well as stations on 2m, via the transponder. Although he has copied his own transponded signal on 10m, at the time of going to press, he has not had any QSO's. Our local champion of things difficult, Peter G3LTF, is reported to have had a number of QSO's via the Satellite. It would seem that the requirements for success are much the same as for RTTY: the octopus syndrome, or Eight Arms.

Crystals

Somehow I managed, towards the end of the last 'committee year', to become custodian of the crystal bank. I now have most of these under the stairs but they are encroaching into the garage, so if you want any crystals, PLEASE see me at the next meeting.

FOR SALE: G.E.C. 625 - line, 1" Vidican Camera, Type VCT2, price £20
Self-contained - Mains (and light) In, Video out.
Contact: Greg Trice, 15 Warren Road, Halstead.

73's de Jim Evans G3VDB