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The Next Meeting of the Society will be at Marconi College, Arbour Lane, Chelmsford at 7.30 pm on Tuesday May 4th, 1976, when The Marconi Historian Mrs. Betty Hance will give a talk on "The Achievements of Marconi", the lecture will include slides.

Silent Key It is with great regret that we have to announce the death of Ken Woodman, G3EBU, who in the past few years suffered from ill health. He operated extensively on 160 metres, 80 metres and 2 metres, running SSB and CW. He was a member of the Invalid and Bedfast Radio Club and took a great deal interest in the club as far as his health would allow. His other interest was operating in the slow morse transmissions organised by the R.S.G.B.

The Next Committee Meeting is on Wednesday May 12th, 1976 at "The Wheatsheaf" New Street Chelmsford at 7.30 pm.

The first contest the Society will be entering this year is the VHF portable on May 22/23rd. The date was changed because it clashed with the Spring Bank Holiday Weekend. The coordinator for this contest is Geoff Blake G8GNZ, who is QTHR. The site as you will have noted from a previous newsletter is at Little Baddow.

GB3ER The Essex Repeater which is to be sited at Danbury is go as far as the licence is concerned and will be on the air within the next few weeks. Some special pieces of equipment, phasing harness for the antenna and some R.F. filters are still being built, otherwise all other equipment is complete. For further information on this very worth while project, please contact Bill Pechey, G4CUE.

The 20 Metre Band has been quite active lately staying open during the evening until the early hours of the following day. From States-side the Mid-West, California and Alaska stations have been worked at very high signal levels. There is a prediction of the Single Hop Sporadic "E" effect for 20, 15 and 10 metres, as the air warms up over Europe during the summer months.

Final piece of news. Congratulations to Barry Tew, G3WFF and his XYL, they have a baby Girl, born on GoodFriday April 16th at St. Johns Hospital. Don't be surprised to hear him up on the bands at unusually late hours.

Best 73 and Gd. Dx

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