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The next meeting of the Society will take place on Tuesday 3rd August, at the Marconi College, Arbour Lane, Chelmsford commencing at 7.30 pm.

Once again the time has come round for the Constructors Competition and the evening will be set aside for the adjudication of the entries, so put the finishing touches to that articule you have been working on over the past few months and enter it in the competition. You may be lucky and win one of the cash prizes, which will he £5, £3, £1 for first, second and third respectively

The rules for the competition are:-

- 1. The construction must be allied to radio communication or electronics.
- 2. Competitors must be paid up members of the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society.
- 3. Items should be accompanied by a card with competitors name, call sign or CARS ref: number and a brief description of its function.

It is preferred that the constuctor should give a short descriptive talk or demonstration of the item to the judges, this also provides general interest to the assembled members and hopefully will promote more building within the club.

Committee Meeting

The next meeting of the committee will be held at the Wheatsheaf New Street, Chelmsford at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 11th August, 1976.

There are rumours that a number of committee members will not be able to carry on in office after the A.G.M. in October because of family commitments. I will be asking for nominations in the September and October newsletters, so it is worthwhile giving the subject some forethought.

Alexandra Palace Rally

The CARS coach for this event, which takes place on Sunday August, 1st will start from the car park beside the County Hotel, Rainsford Road at 9.0 am. The weather forecast looks good for the weekend. The rally is being held in very pleasant surroundings so enjoy yourselves one and all.

Band Reports

This months propagation has been quite good for Dxing on both HF and VHF. Quite a good amount of sporadic 'E' for both parts of the spectrum. Keith, G3WSN worked two IT9 and a 9H1 on short 'E' opening (five minutes) on the two metre band during the middle of the month. He had the QSL cards send direct to him to confirm the contacts. The 10 metre band has been alive with signals most of them very strong (needle benders) with very little QSB. Roy, G3PMX had quite a long QSO with W1IUA, very strong signals in both directions. So keep a watch on the bands you might even find a rare one that you have been looking for, most of these openings seem to take place during the later part of the afternoon in high summer.

Well that appears to be all for this month and by the time you receive this newsletter you will be looking forward to the trip to Alexandra Palace, I hope you all enjoy yourselves.

Best 73 and Gd. Dx

Les

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Sunday, 7th August at 10.30 am.

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