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Next Meeting.

After a false start because of personal reasons, G3BNL is scheduled to give us a lecture entitled "Microwaves - its not that difficult". Les Sharrock is well known for his contributions to Rad.Comm. and for his microwave activities over the years. Incidentally he holds the world record for the 9 GHz band, Les has green fingers on these high frequencies and will bring along examples of his home-brew equipment. He will not attempt any off-air demonstrations but proposes to talk across the lecture room on 24 GHz!

The meeting will take place on Tuesday 5th September at Marconi College, Arbour Lane, Chelmsford commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Report on the August meeting by John Bowen, G8DET.

The August meeting proved very different and interesting with an informal meeting and Chairman's Folly. If you didn't come and think you know anything about coaxial connectors ask someone who did come! Out of 25 connectors presented Roy G3PMX and Willy G3VPK could indentify sixteen each and tied for first prize. The range included the usual BNC and N types but there were also some rarer types.

The meeting was appreciated by some who could have a good chin-wag and by others as a change.

Thanks to Les, G4CUT for chairing the meeting.

Committee Meeting.

Wednesday 13th September, 7.30 p.m. Wheatsheaf.

Woburn Abbey trip by John Bowen G8DET.

6th August at 8.10 a.m. saw a few bleary-eyed would be travellers at the County Hotel, they joined Dick G3WHR and John G8ION who were already on Boons new coach and then continued to Writtle where the number was made up to 29 plus 2 children. The day proved to have better weather than the previous week and we arrived at Woburn at 10.20, right next to the marquee. This was a very good move as many of the stands were for the "early worm". Philips cassette recorders were very popular at about £2 for good working models to 25p for chassis plus PCB. There were a good range of tables well laid out (thanks Willy) to supply most needs.

The Ladies and visitors found the Abbey much improved and interesting. A cloud burst at mid-day gave the opportunity to consume dinner and then return to the affray.

The party returned with their recorders, teleprinters, meters, tape, ferrite rods, BA screws, UNF nuts, RSGB books plus some non-scoring raffle tickets, arriving at Writtle at 6.20 p.m.

A good day was had by all, will we do it again next year? Thanks for assistance to Les G4CUT, John G8DET and Frank G3BGO.

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Three Club members have qualified for this year's National Final (yours truly failed to make it) they are Mike Hawkins, Ian Butson and Arthur Butcher. Best of luck to all in Basingstoke.

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