

**CHELMSFORD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY**  
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Next Meeting.

The November meeting is a talk with slides by Brian Bourn G8JAU entitled 'Steam Engines'.

For over 250 years the steam engine has served mankind in a reliable yet colourful way. For example, the largest railway engines developed over 10,000 h.p. weighed more than 300 tons and travelled at speeds in excess of 100 m.p.h. burning coal at a rate of 5 tons per hour. But behind the scenes there were stationary engines in factories and waterworks where the polished brass and varnished mahogany would have ornamented any Victorian Drawing room.

Brian is well qualified to give the talk having owned a 14 ton steam traction engine for over 20 years. Please come and enjoy what should be a different and pleasant evening but be warned that Brian says that the talk is not suitable for those of a nervous disposition.

The meeting takes place on Tuesday November 7th at Marconi College, Arbour Lane, Chelmsford commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Leicester Coach Trip Sat. November 4th.

There are still several vacant seats on the coach so please try to support the trip - it only needs one financial disaster to stop coach trips for a long time ! The fare will be about £2.50 per head (you can't even get to London for that!). The arrangements have been made to combine the visit to the Exhibition with a shopping spree for those who would like to take advantage of Leicester's excellent shopping centre, wives please note !

The pick-up points for the coach are as follows :-

- 1) Boreham 7.30 a.m.
- 2) County Hotel, Chelmsford 7.50 a.m.
- 3) Writtle Duck Pond 8.00 a.m.

Writtle will be the main pick-up point as there is a free Car Park. There will be no waiting at the other two points. It is essential that you ring John (Danbury 4677) or Les (Chelmsford 66993) if you would like to go.

Don't forget that the more people that travel, the bigger the coach, the smoother the ride.

Committee Meeting.

Wednesday November 15th. Wheatsheaf 7.30 p.m.

A.G.M. Report.

The election of the Committee resulted in the following band for 1978/9.

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John Greenwood	G3KRZ	Chairman.
Dick Brocks	G3WHR	Secretary.
John Bowen	G8DET	Treasurer.
Bill Pechey	G4CUE	Newsletter Editor.
Andrew Mead	G8KQE	
Dave Elwell	G8CVI	
Brian Bourn	G8JAU	
Anthony Bourn	G8OFD	
Les Turner	G4CUR	
Peter Neave	G4DAN	
Mike Lawrence	G8DNO	(Also R.S.G.B. Area Representative)

I think this is the first time that G8+3 members have been in the majority - am I right ?

The subscription was fixed at £2. for the coming year.

The Junk Sale which followed the A.G.M. made a profit for the club of £13.08.

#### New Members.

Mr. J. R. Morgan.	G8NCC	Marconi College.
Mr. K. Bremerman.		Billericay.
Mr. W. Dawson.		Little Waltham.
Mr. R. Polley	G3NAA	Chelmsford.

Mr. Bremerman and Mr. Dawson would be very pleased if anyone could offer lifts to the Club meetings. The Treasurer will put you in touch.

#### Raffle.

The raffle did very well last year and it is hoped that everyone will continue to support it in 1978/9. You can lend your support by buying more tickets or by donating prizes. Bernard is always on the lookout for cheap sources for the supply of interesting items, if you can help please let him know.

#### Crystals.

Don't forget that the Club still has a considerable supply of crystals in HC6U and 10XJ styles at reasonable prices. Details from John G8DET.

John is collecting all the crystals together in one place so please contact him if your store of crystals is bringing the roof down.

#### N.F.D.

Last year the Club failed to enter for National Field Day; it is hoped that an attempt can be made this year. If you would like to take part please contact John Greenwood G3KRZ. The exploratory meeting will soon be held to make plans.

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