

# Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society.

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## NEXT MEETING - The Annual Junk Sale.

On Tuesday 6th November we will hold the 1990 Re-distribution of Surplus Equipment; this is the opportunity for some members to turn radio items they no longer require into cash and to the benefit of other members to acquire just the item they have been looking for! The Society also looks to this occasion to top up the club funds by a percentage from the sale or whole profit from donated items.

For the benefit of the auctioneer, please mark the ownership of the items for sale and if there is a reserve price.

The meeting will commence at 7.30pm with the sale starting a few minutes later. Gwyn G4FKH has kindly agreed to control proceedings with his able team of runners. We look forward to a good TURN-OUT at The Marconi College, Arbour Lane, Chelmsford.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

- 4 Nov. DUXFORD RADIO SOCIETY - See details below.
- 6 Nov. CLUB MEETING - Re-distribution of Surplus Equipment.
- 4 Dec. CLUB MEETING - Arrow Radio, presented by Bob G6AKL.
- 9 Dec. VERULAM CHRISTMAS RALLY - Hatfield Polytechnic.
- 15 Dec. CLUB SOCIAL - at The William Boosey, Hatfield Peverel.
- 8 Jan. CLUB MEETING - The Annual Film/Video Show.

## REPORT OF THE 1990 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Gwyn G4FKH.

Our Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. He mentioned that the Award of Merit was scheduled to be presented this evening, there were two nominations. (1) Geoff Mills, G3EDM for his exploits during "A Yacht and Sailor in Difficulty" crises, and (2) Tom Frankland, G4INM for his outstanding service in the RSGB morse tuition service.

Brian then began the AGM by giving his Chairman's report. He told us that he would be stepping down from the Chairmanship and wished to thank the rest of the committee team for their support. He also thanked Roy/Ela for the Newsletter production.

Next the minutes of the previous AGM were read, G0LKY proposed they be accepted and G8DET seconded.

The Treasurers report was then read out in Brian, G3CVI's absence. He said that whilst the club was doing well he thought it was time to raise the subscription rate, he went on to say that due to our worthy Patron we must have the lowest subs of any society. There were a few questions which were duly answered. It was suggested by Arthur, G3KPJ that a minimum charge should be introduced for tea and biscuits, this was agreed and set at 25p.

Peter, G1FOA then gave a synopsis of previous evenings Essex Repeater Group's AGM.

The Secretary gave his short report. Gwyn said that we'd had a good balanced season and that there was already some class acts lined up for next year.

Ela was next with the Membership Secretary's report. We have 59 Class "A" members, 15 "B's" and 1 SWL.

Roy our President then gave the President's report. Roy said that he thought we'd had a particularly good year with callsign G0MWT, the twinning of Chelmsford with Backnang and the strong attendance at club meetings. Fun and friendship were his themes.

Brian then retired the old committee and the President went about the election of the new committee. He thanked all, especially the Ex-officio/Committee members, John, G3KRZ, Brian, G0BDS and Martin, G4TOO who would not be serving again. He explained the slight change in our Ex-Officio officers. We would now have a President, Vice President who would eventually take over as President and an Immediate Past President. They will be Roy, G3PMX, Dick Brocks, G3WHR and Les Turner, G4CUT respectively. There was some discussion but no dissent was voiced. He then suggested an en-bloc vote to return the remaining members of the past committee and invited Charles, G0GJS, proposed by Gwyn and seconded by Harry, G2HPF, and John Chandler, G0NVM proposed by Andrew, G4KQE and seconded by Albert, G0AEH to join the committee.

Roy then asked for a proposal for John Bowen as Chairman, Brian, G0BDS proposed and Les, G4CUT seconded. G0AEH then moved we vote en-bloc, it was unanimously carried. Therefore next years committee will consist of; Ex-Officio members as previously stated, Chairman G8DET, Secretary G4FKH, Treasurer G3CVI, Membership Sec. G6HKM, ordinary members G4KQE (Vice-Chairman), G0IPU, G2HPF, G4ICP, G0GJS and G0NVM.

The meeting was then handed over to our new Chairman who after thanking Brian, G0BDS for his FB job, started the business of setting the sub's. After open discussion it was decided that they will be £4. for Ordinary Members and £3. for Senior Citizens/Students. At this point the Jackpot Raffle was drawn for a years free subscription, the lucky winner was George G0LKY. Following the tea break (which made a profit) the result of the first "Award of Merit" poll was announced and Tom, G4INM was presented with the Club's new trophy.

We concluded the AGM with AOB, Roy asked for ideas for meetings. There were a few suggestions, which will be progressed by the new committee. A good meeting which concluded at 21.55.

## CLUB CHRISTMAS SOCIAL.

The bookings have been a resounding success and all 32 places are taken. Gwyn G4FKH is prepared to make a reserve list for anyone who is disappointed, for a second chance if there are any cancellations.

Please check your directions to The William Boosey, Hatfield Peverel, its position is at the west end of the main road that runs through the village, and is called The Street, on the B1137 (the old A12 from Boreham).

We arrive at 7.30 for 8.00pm, there is ample car parking available and we look forward to a pleasant evening at the new venue.

## MEMBERS NEWS - E1a G6HKM.

The Society extends a welcome to two new members this month, they are Frank Bohannon, a SWL and Keith Law, G3WGE.

A reminder to those who were not at the AGM, Subscriptions are now due, as mentioned earlier the new rates are £4. Ordinary Members and £3. for Senior Citizens, if paying by cheque please make payable to "Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society".

## DUXFORD RADIO SOCIETY.

Gwyn, our Secretary has received a letter from the above Society, which unfortunately did not arrive in time for our last meeting, however below are extracts from the letter written by John Brown, G3EUR:-

"The President of RSGB, Mr. Frank Hall, GM8BZX, is doing us the honour of making a visit to Duxford Airfield on Sunday, November 4th,.....We hope that you and some of your members will take this opportunity to meet your President and Members of the Duxford Radio Society, perhaps some members of the B2UG also, at the Camp Cinema on the Sunday morning and perhaps make a day of it by going into the Airfield for the after midday.

We will have a few items from our members collections to show, and there will be more in the GB2IWM Shack, where you will be welcome to use the mike or key (there is usually a pile-up).

If you have not visited Duxford in recent years, a big surprise awaits you: the day will not be long enough, with much to interest the XYL and family.

Since we plan to provide seats, coffee and a biscuit, it would be much appreciated if you can let me know how many are coming, but all are welcome anyway. The Cinema is in the Camp area with the Officer's Mess Buildings, entrance opposite the Guard Gate, level with Hangar 4.....there is parking room for over 100 cars (no charge).

We will be monitoring 145.525 and can talk-in if need be.

After the meeting in the Cinema, entrance to the Airfield can be made via the bridge over the road to the Public Entrance, where you can claim Party Rate fees by showing the Duxford Radio sticker issued when you sign in at the Cinema.

Do, please make this a Special Effort and make Frank Hall feel that the trip from Forfar in GM-land was worth while: I know that he is looking forward to meeting you."

If you require any further information I suggest you phone John, G3EUR, 0708 852371.

## DF NEWS - Dick G3WHR.

### 1 - Chelmsford September Event.

Torches were required soon after the start of this event. My bearings indicated a wood Nth of Wakes Colne. I arrived to find Andy Collett examining an aerial and followed it to find Mike. I could then enjoy wandering around watching the other teams, and indulging in a little misdirection - never believe what another DF competitor says or does.

Results:-	1 Andy Collett	8.18	5 Peter Graves	8.39
	2 Dick Brocks	8.19	6 Roy Emeny	8.46
	3 Ian Butson	8.24	7 Peter Larbalestier	8.49
	4 Philip Cunningham	8.28	8 Daphne Mead	8.54

### 2 - The Chelmsford DF Trophy.

This trophy is awarded to the competitor with the best overall performance in Chelmsford DF events. This year the winner is Philip Cunningham - for the second time. Well done Philip, and congratulations on acquiring G0NXH.

### 3 - The RSGB National Final.

This was held in the Manchester area on Sunday 30th September. Our area was represented by Mike Hawkins, Andy Collett and Philip Cunningham. I am pleased to report that, after a very close finish, Mike Hawkins won the RSGB National DF Trophy.

FUTURE EVENT - 9 November - Colchester.

## COMMITTEE MEETING.

The November Committee Meeting will be held in the Telford Lodge (Marconi College Residence) at 7:30pm on Wednesday, 14th November. You are most welcome to join us.

73 from Roy & E1a Martyr, G3PMX & G6HKM

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