



Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society

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This Month's Meeting – Tuesday, 4th March. 7.30pm at the Marconi Club.

Hylands House by Ceri Lowen & Richard Oscroft

CARS Programme Secretary, Martyn, G1EFL likes to include one Social Meeting (not necessarily radio based) sometime during the year - this is it. The idea is to choose a meeting to which Members can invite their Partners & Family to attend to meet others.

The Meeting is about Hylands House, NOT at Hylands House! The Meeting is at the Marconi Sports Centre in Beehive Lane, as normal. Ignore the building contractors - it is business as usual for us.

Hylands House has had a few million pounds spent on it. It has been restored from the wreck it became after Mrs Hanbury died & the lead was stolen off the roof. It has appeared in at least 2 major films, one where it was shown to be the White House in Washington.

Ceri Lowen is the Hyland House Manager and Richard Oscroft is the Vice President of Hylands House Friends so we are sure of an authoritative presentation. Come along to this interesting presentation and hear about the history & what is projected for the future.

There will be our usual high quality Raffle.

Ela Martyr, G6HKM – Silent Key

It is with regret that CARS have learnt that Ela, Wife of the Late CARS President, Roy Martyr, G3PMX passed away on Monday, 18th February. She was 78. Details later.

We extend our sympathy to the Family.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday, 6 th March	New Morse Classes start in Danbury Village Hall – Names to Clive, G1EUC
Wed 12 th March	CARS Committee Meeting - Danbury Village Hall at 7.30pm - All welcome
Tuesday 1 st April	CARS Meeting – The GHz Bands - Sam Jewell, G4DDK
Saturday 26 th April	International Marconi Day at Sandford Mill. Open to the Public, 10am to 5pm.

Thanks to Geoff, G7KLV for arranging the Postal Members Newsletter – could it go by E-Mail? Inform Membership Secretary, Brian, G3CVI of any changes to your call-sign, postal or E-Mail address, etc. Brian would also be delighted to receive your Subscription for 2007 to 2008 period. It is now £12. Send a SAE and a cheque made out to C.A.R.S. to Mr B Thwaites, G3CVI, 118 Baddow Hall Crescent, Great Baddow. CHELMSFORD. CM2 7BU – Thanks.

Club Nets: Tuesdays 8-30pm: (2nd) 145.375: (3rd) 28.375/1,947 (4th) 1.947: (5th) 145.375. All +/- QRM.
Net Controller for March is : - Ron, M3CAM Thanks Ron.

Last Months Meeting:- Micro-DXing by Roger Stevens, G3SXW.

CARS President, Harry, G5HF picked up Roger from the railway station & transported him to MASC & was the MC for the evening.

Announcements: -

We were sad to learn that Jimmy Watt, G6ZC was a Silent Key. EA5RN, Antonio Gonzalez will be in Rwanda 16th-27th March, 'working all bands'. (See next item).

We welcomed Roger Western, G3SXW to give a talk on Micro-DXpeditioning.

He placed it in context. The 3B7C was a mega, involving significant logistics; his was at times only a few hours away usually with G4IRN. They do not start with a clear goal in terms of a place to visit, and it all stems from there. The internet is essential: <http://www.flightchecker.com/> is well worth a look. The decision as to where to go is made on the basis of the availability of cheap flights weeks in advance, but beware of 'hidden extras'.

Google Earth allows one to spot valleys, always a poor site; nearness to salt water much the reverse. A new air service is a good place to start. Trips are a few hours to maybe a day or two. Return flights are more expensive, but we were urged to 'make hay as the current cheap flights may not last'.

Some venues are expensive on arrival, e.g. Iceland. It helps to go where CEPT operates; other places may require a Morse certificate for example. It's a good idea to carry a copy of your UK licence. Booking parking at your departure matters, and a hire car at the other end means you've a battery to connect your TxRx to. A 100 ft RG213 cable is advisable, also a simple dipole plus an eg an Elecraft K2 TxRx and keyer, PSU, battery leads and ATU, all weighed. (A Butternut, we gather, has fragile capacitors, best removed for travel.) A telescopic fishing rod has proved helpful for suspending the antenna. Airline weight limits change so check each trip. Everything must go in a carry-on bag into the cabin in order to avoid the carousel (Insert your own horror story here!). Allow 30mins for security (I time in 3: they're especially looking for detonators) at the start and same for customs on returning. Take your own food and a flask and sit near the exit.

Once there, the hire car may mean no need for even a temporary hotel room! Otherwise the PSU can be plugged into the socket and an antenna thrown out the window. It is evidently advisable not to ask permission to do this - JUST

DO IT and so far we gather no problems. This worked in Bratislava; OM3MB, local QSL Manager, came back loud as he was but 500 metres away! Logging with a laptop saved time with the pile-ups.

We were regaled with accounts of e.g. Andorra, the massive contesting setup at Kaunas, T77C Tony in San Marino, Gibraltar - very British, Ceuta not far away and the North American Pontifical College in the Vatican, a real coup.

I asked about health insurance; Roger said he was healthy and plainly will continue his frequent trips as long as he possibly can. Our attention was held right to the very end of his talk; he hopefully will inspire others to Micro-DX.

Tony was in-charge of the Raffle & 25 prizes were shared out – thanks Tony.

Martyn, G1EFL then took Roger back to the station in time for his train.

We look forward to hearing you again in 2009.

Patrick, M0XAP

Comment by Charles, G0GJS

Roger - thank you for a superb evening and in particular for generating such an enthusiastic and unique approach to Amateur Radio and so many interests. I envy you your life style - just wish I was 20 years younger!

We first met at Lords' when I was a guest of Harry Lowe G2HPF and I treasure the QSL card you personally gave to me from your 1993 Tristan da Cunha DXpedition. It's the only time I have been picked out first time from such a pile-up!! Do come and see us again soon.

73 de Charles Shelton G0GJS

Dxpedition to Rwanda

EA5RM Antonio Gonzalez proposes to operate 9X0R from Rwanda from March 16th to March 27, 2008 using three stations from 10 to 160 meters on SSB, CW and digital. Rwanda is 45 in the 2007 "Most Needed List" (The DX Magazine) and there was not any amateur operation during past ten years except 9X0VB and 9X5SP.

EA5RM will donate a new HF radio and a power supply for the future Kigali Radio Club and also help found RARU, Rwanda Amateur Radio Union.

Check this website for details: -
<http://www.9x0r.com>

QSL Manager will be EA5RM who will upload logs at LOTW and confirm Direct and Bureau QSL Cards.

Antonio Gonzalez EA5RM – 9X0R

Dxpedition to Guyana

Phil, G3SWH and Jim, G3RTE will be active from Georgetown, Guyana, between February 22-29th. The licence has already been issued and the call-sign will be 8R1PW.

As there have been two operations from Guyana in 2007 which used mainly SSB, their activity will be on CW only on all bands 160-10 meters.

Propagation and QRN permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many bands as possible.

QSL via G3SWH, either direct with SAE and adequate return postage (recommended), or by Phil's Web site using the form for a Bureau reply at: <http://www.g3swh.org.uk/form.html>
Also, QSL via the bureau.

There is more information at:
<http://www.g3swh.org.uk/8r1pw.html>

James (Jimmy) Watt, G6ZC – Silent Key.

It is with regret that CARS has to report that James Watt, G6ZC passed away on 12th January 2008, aged 93. The Service was held at Chelmsford Crematorium on Monday, 28th January. Donations to either Essex Wildlife Trust or Friends of Orkney Wireless Museum, C/O Paul King, Funeral Directors, 6 Corporation Road, CHELMSFORD. CM1 2AR
Tel 01245 264411.

We extend our sympathy to
Mrs Mary Watt & Family.

Report of the Funeral of Jimmy, G6ZC.

The Funeral of James Watt took place on Monday, 28th January in the Crematorium, Chelmsford. It was a foggy day but the Service was well attended, CARS was represented by President, Harry Heap, G5HF accompanied by Ethel. Also present was Vice President Charles Shelton, G0GJS; Carl Thomson, G3PEM &

Chairman, John Bowen, G8DET. During the service mention was made on 3 occasions of Jimmy's Amateur Radio activities.

Afterwards John, G8DET attended the Wake held at the South Lodge Hotel and met Tim Watt (Son) and Pam Penkman (Daughter). Everyone talked about Jimmy listening to Amateur Radio before he reactivated his Call-sign and the equipment he had in his shack. Was it a FT101?

Jimmy had a Brother, John (but everyone called him Jack) and he held the Call-sign GM3CCK. His Daughter lives in Orkney but flew down for the funeral and holds the Call-sign GM4LNN and is called Kim although her Licence refers to Christine Foden. A few copies of the February CARS Newsletter were given out.

Jimmy provided the stimulation to enable her to pass her Morse which was useful during a 3 month period when she lost her voice and used to send Morse from Orkney but receive voice from G6ZC on their Monday morning schedules. The normal Monday schedules went on for many years – Brian, G3CVI used to join them sometimes.

Kim had a desire to build a 30 Line revolving disk TV Receiver along the lines of a Baird. Assisted by other Amateurs who had "listened" in to the Monday QSOs it was made to work in about 1982.

Jimmy was asked to Open the Orkney Wireless Museum but as he could not attend Kim did it first in St Margaret's Hall in 1980 & again in its present location in Kirkwall in 1995. It contains much ex-RAF radio equipment used to communicate with planes crossing the Atlantic, Coast Guard equipment used to communicate with shipping in Scapa Flow & what was in the 1950/60s, "state of the art", Radars.

CARS extend our thanks to Mary Watt & Family for the warm welcome extended.

John G8DET.

History.

James Watt G6ZC joined CARS, or the Chelmsford RSGB Group as it was then known, nearly 72 years ago in mid 1936 just after he had moved to Chelmsford to work for Marconi.

A few weeks after arriving in the town he had worn holes in all his socks and so went to purchase some new ones from a local outfitter in the High Street. This happened to be the shop run by Laurie Fuller G6LB and on the counter was a copy of the T&R Bulletin. James expressed

some interest, they got talking, and the rest as they say, is history!

One of his earliest involvements with the club was with NFD. During the early 1940's the Club didn't have a regular meeting venue and James, G6ZC was one of those who made his house available for meetings.

Trevor M5AKAA

James Watt G6ZC - A Superb Engineer.

James attended meetings regularly but by the time I had joined in 1991 he had ceased to attend although retaining his interest in Amateur Radio. After retirement he maintained a regular sked with two other ex colleagues, George Grisdale, G5GZ and Jerry Todd, G2KV. He was one of that select band of secret listeners in WWII

In 1996 the Club put on a Nostalgia Evening which tried to tell the story of CARS. On that occasion we had the pleasure of James's company for the evening and he proved to be a great raconteur. He told us an amusing story about a pre-war publicity stunt, put on by Marconi at their Croydon depot, when "wireless" was all the rage.

The London Radio Orchestra was scheduled to make a live broadcast from an aeroplane. In the best interests of safety all the players and their instruments were meticulously weighed and the results recorded by a loading clerk. All went well until the plane took off and the pilot only just managed to get it airborne at the end of the runway. The broadcast was a great success. On landing the pilot had a quiet word with the clerk and after a re-check it transpired that the piano had been loaded earlier and did not appear on the bill of loading! To do it full justice that story requires a tape recorder rather than a word processor.

In a more serious vein, James told us about a project he was involved with during WWII. This was the design of an underwater supersonic buoy which was used as a navigational aid to guide naval surface ships and submarines into landing places on the enemy coast. The design work and trials on the development models were carried out within about nine months. The early buoys were laid by surface ships or submarines at periscope depth. Later models could be fired from a submarine's torpedo tubes thus avoiding possible observation by the enemy but this had required some involved design work to adjust the buoyancy. Having completed the design, James

was then involved with sea trials on both ships and submarines, an experience he was not likely to forget! The supersonic signals were transmitted at pre-determined intervals and could be heard by a ship's ASDIC for a distance of five miles. After a set time, or if they were swept up by minesweepers, they were designed to self-destruct!

The buoys were successfully employed in the Mediterranean and on D-Day. He showed us the only piece of surviving hardware from the project, a stepping mechanism used in the Mk.1 models. Later versions used a well tried time clock as used in gas lamps. Later on he presented some of the drawings to Sandford Mill.

Jimmy Watt had a distinguished career at Marconi having been in charge of Maritime Development including communications and radar. Eventually he was appointed Technical Manager of the Maritime Division. As a Manager he was highly respected technically and well liked by his staff.

Geoff G7KLV.

James (Jimmy) Watt, G6ZC – Tribute.

I first met Jimmy at the small gatherings of Radio Amateurs in the Running Mare, Galleywood, where Louis Varney G5RV held forth during and after WWII. I also met him at meetings of the Chelmsford Engineering Society. We both let our Licences lapse after the War, as we were both busy building our careers and raising families.

During the early 1980s we were nearing retirement and at a meeting of the CES Jimmy told me he had applied to get his pre-war licence back and he suggested I should do the same. The old Post Office had no records from before the War so we had to prove we had held the licence by supplying written evidence, which we both did. Jimmy got back on the air very quickly and invited me to visit him for a demo. This spurred me on to do the same.

Jimmy came from the Orkneys and never lost his delightful accent. He was a very friendly character with a quiet sense of humour and I remember how he told us that he had the windows in his house blown in by a bomb during the War. "Little daggers of glass impaled themselves in the wardrobe opposite the window." Fortunately no-one got in the way.

He had regular skeds with Orkney including a reverend gentleman at the church, and who had fixed an aerial to the top of the steeple.

Jimmy was a brilliant engineer and a wonderful person and I was very grateful to him for all the help he gave me when I got back on the air.

Harry G5HF

Memories of Jimmy, G6ZC

Jimmy was the Manager of the Maritime Division of MWT and I was a member of the Company's Export Department at that time. I looked after the Soviet Union and North Africa (one territory was supposed to provide light relief for the other!). I passed to him market intelligence and opportunities for the products in his Division.

Charles, G0GJS

Windmills on the Air

We hope to operate Special Event Station GB5SM, at Stock Windmill, Mill Lane, Stock, Essex CM4 9RY during the weekend 10th -11th May 2008.

The mill will be open to the public on the 11th along with other Windmills. We will NOT be operating inside the Mill as this constitutes among other things a fire risk. We will instead be operating in a corner of the field near the road. We need a tent etc but hopefully can run a power line from the interior of the mill.

I think this is the first time CARS has participated in Mills on the Air so I hope it will be a success. More news nearer the time.

Patrick M0XAP

Outing to Bletchley Park

CARS propose an Outing to Bletchley Park on Saturday 17th May. It is open from 12:00 to 17:00hrs.

It is the "Military Vehicles in the Grounds of the Park" event but we would also be able to see the new RSGB Museum.

If you wish to go please inform a CARS Committee Member or E-Mail the Editor & say: - Whether you wish to go by coach from say Danbury, Great Baddow and somewhere in Chelmsford for a cost of £10 or to go under your own steam (car sharing).

Too many Nil Returns will mean – you are on your own! [g8det at g0mwt.org.uk](http://g8det@g0mwt.org.uk)

John G8DET

New URL for RSGB Spectrum Forum

The transfer of the RSGB Spectrum Forums website to the Society's <http://www.rsgb.org> domain has now been completed.

Anyone linking to the old site should update their webpage to point to the new URL which is: -

<http://www.rsgb.org/spectrumforum/>

The RSGB Spectrum Forum is a grouping of all RSGB spectrum related voluntary bodies and close affiliates. It looks across the whole spectrum, forming short-term Working Groups, or ad hoc teams to focus on specific issues.

Two members of the RSGB Spectrum Forum are also members of CARS - Trevor M5AKA and Murray G6JYB.

The RSGB Band plans are available from the site in a convenient tabbed webpage or they can be downloaded as a single PDF. All the Amateur Bands from 2200 metres to below 4 millimetres, 136 kHz to 248 GHz, are covered.

RSGB Spectrum Forum: -

<http://www.rsgb.org/spectrumforum/>

RSGB Bandplans: -

<http://www.rsgb.org/spectrumforum/bandplans/>

Minutes of Spectrum Forum Meetings: -

<http://www.rsgb.org/spectrumforum/minutes/>

Trevor M5AKA

Operating – Conduct on the Air.

1. Foster and encourage a high standard of operating and behaviour on the Bands;
2. Observe the Licence conditions and principles of Band Planning;
3. Be considerate to other Radio Amateurs at all times and, in particular, by:
 - a) ensuring that the radiated signal conforms to a good technical level;
 - b) avoiding interference to other band users by thoughtless tuning or by use of unnecessarily high power levels;

c) recognizing that it is inconsiderate to 'break-in' to a contact unless there is a reason that is relevant to both of the participating stations;

4. By example, promote exemplary operating standards by:-

a) sending at a speed that is considerate of the other station's ability;

b) giving signal reports that are, where appropriate, honest;

c) ensuring a frequency is clear before transmitting - preferably by listening;

d) at the end of a contact, moving away if it is not "your" frequency;

e) in DX "pile-ups", observing the calling instructions of the DX station and never "policing" the frequency;

f) if you are a "DX" station, ensuring good management of your frequency by sending your own Call-Sign at appropriate intervals – "anonymous operating" does nothing to control a pile-up or increase contact rates and leads to chaos;

g) always remembering that many others may be listening to your contacts - refrain from bad language or derogatory comments;

5. Protect the future of the hobby by:-

a) being active on a regular basis on as many Bands, as possible;

b) giving encouragement to newcomers:

c) supporting a National Society.

End of Polaroid Film?

Polaroid, the company behind the instant camera, is to stop making the film used in its iconic technology. The firm is to close factories in Massachusetts in the US, Mexico and the Netherlands after the digital age left almost no market for the film.

Polaroid stopped making the instant cameras themselves about a year ago. It now focuses on other ventures which include a portable printer for mobile phone images, and Polaroid-branded digital cameras.

Murray, G6JYB.

Reprint of BBC book "On Air" (but hurry!)

A limited reprint of the book "On Air - A History of BBC Transmission" is currently available for just £5 (plus £2 p&p) from BBC Engineering.

The book "On Air" celebrates a lifetime of achievement in the world of broadcast transmission engineering and includes many anecdotes from the lives of people involved. 100 hardback and 500 paperback editions of On Air were printed in June 2003 and they were all sold by early 2004, but a reprint is now available. The price was reduced in January 2008 from £12.50 to £5 (plus £2 P&P). Only a limited stock is available and there will not be another reprint when the stock is exhausted.

The idea for "On Air" arose in 1997 when BBC Transmission was privatised and two new companies were formed: now called National Grid Wireless and VT Merlin Communications. It was the end of an era and a natural point for reflection on past achievements.

The book can be bought online at <http://www.bbceng.info/Books/On%20Air/buy.htm>

Book description from:

http://www.bbceng.info/Books/On%20Air/On_Air.htm

Trevor, M5AKA.

Internet Speed Check

I hear so much about the speed of your Broadband or Dial-up connection, why not try this Test? Thinkbroadband is an independent company formed to promote Broadband & is very professional.

<http://www.thinkbroadband.com/speedtest.html>

When it is loaded you should see a box with "Thinkbroadband" in pink, above a box with "Start" at the bottom.

If you do NOT see such an arrangement – go no further as you may not have Java running. To get Java is something to request your computer Guru to assist you with.

See Start -> Control Panel ->Java & double click. General -> About. You need only one copy. Do NOT enable Java to give you Updates! It does NOT remove previous versions & your computer can become full of copies!!

Assuming you see the box, Double Click the "Start" Tab.

It downloads a 150kilobyte file onto your computer & sends it back & times how long it takes.

When completed a new page appears where you have to "Select your ISP" - from a drop down list - mainly American but find something suitable - use O2 or Orange if in doubt.

Then click further down the tab which says: - "I live in the UK and my ISP is selected above".

Your Download speed & Upload speed will be displayed.

Use Windows -> File -> Print to record the details.

If you Register with "Thinkbroadband" and "Logon" first before requesting a Speed Check, your results will be kept & displayed for you to see in "Profile".

Comments please.

John G8DET.

March Contests from Steve, G4ZUL

RSGB March 144/432Mhz (24 Hour)

1/2 March

Starts 14:00 UTC Saturday

Finish 14:00 UTC Sunday

Please refer to the RSGB website: -

<http://www.vhfcc.org> for full details of all VHF contests.

ARRL International DX / SSB

1/2 March, 48HRS

Exchange: RS + transmitter power.

Categories: Single op. all band, single band, high power, Low power, QRP. Multi op. single TX, two TX or multi TX.

Scoring: 3 points per QSO.

Multiplier: sum of states/provinces worked.

Final score: QSO points x multipliers.

Further information & rules from: -

<http://www.arrl.org/contests>

RSGB Commonwealth / CW

08/09 March, 10:00 - 10:00 UTC, 24HRS

Bands: 3.5, 7, 14, 21, 28Mhz

Exchange: RST + serial number

Sections: Open, 24HRS, Restricted: 12Hrs.

Scoring: Contacts with commonwealth prefixes 5 points and a bonus of 20 points for each of the first 3 contacts with each Commonwealth call area on each Band.

Further information and rules from

<http://www.rsgbhfcc.org>

CQ WW WPX / SSB

29/30 March, 48HRS

Exchange: RS + serial number

Categories: Single operator (single band & all band). Multi operator (single TX, Multi two, Multi TX).

Scoring: 3 points on 28, 21, 14Mhz / 6 points on 7, 3.5, 1.8Mhz.

If on different continent and if same continent then 1 point & 2 points respectively.

Prefix multipliers: The number of valid prefixes worked.

For full details please refer to February issue of CQ Magazine or: -

<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com>

RSGB Club Championship (80 metres)

Dates for March as follows:

DATA 03 March. 20:00 - 21:30 Local

CW 12 March 20:00 - 21:30 Local

SSB 20 March 20:00 - 21:30 Local

For any further information email Steve G4ZUL: -

contests2008@g0mwt.org.uk

CARS at the Canvey Rally -3rd February

In keeping with past years a group of CARS Members once again attended this year's Canvey Rally and managed to raise a respectable amount of money for Club funds. We did not break any records, but it was still worth the effort put in by the sales team, Acquisitions Manager, Geoff KLV, Martyn EFL, Patrick XAP and Peter Watkins SWL. Once again a few Members responded to our requests for items to sell and, as in previous years, a garage or two, and a shed here and there, are now clearer than they were. A big thank you to those who did manage to come up with some very worthwhile goodies. A number of very bulky items found new homes, which pleased Geoff KLV very much, as he now has space in his garage!

The Rally was well attended by visitors and for a while business was brisk at most tables. A number of well-known traders were present which was very good to see. Congratulations to the Rally organisers from South Essex ARS who, with a minimum amount of help, ran a very efficient event. Every year without fail their Members offer to help us, and all the other stallholders, to unload our cars and vans, I think this is probably a unique service. With both halls in use and a good supply of excellent sandwiches and hot drinks, traders and visitors alike had plenty of things to see and do.

Colin, G0TRM.

The Bank Job movie and Amateur Radio

Amateur Radio features in the new film 'The Bank Job' Due for release at the end of February, "The Bank Job" is inspired by an extraordinary true event, a daring, unsolved robbery, which took place more than 35 years ago in London.

The robbery made headlines for a few days and then disappeared - the result of an UK Government 'D' Notice, gagging the press.

Pye handhelds are used by the criminals in the movie and they are intercepted by a Radio Amateur who becomes involved in the attempt to catch them.

On the official website at: -
<http://www.bankjobmovie.co.uk/>

The "Trailer" option gives you 5 movie clips to view.

The Pye handhelds can be seen in Movie Clip 2 titled "No Names Eddie" and halfway through Clip 5 "Tightening the Net" there is what looks like an Amateur Radio HF rig from the 60's or 70's possibly an early Yaesu FT-101 ?

UK film Censor Rating is "15".
"The Bank Job" website: -
<http://www.bankjobmovie.co.uk/Training/>

Trevor M5AKA

BBC World Service Ends

The BBC World Service, which started its scratchy shortwave transmissions to listeners cut off by "desert, snow and sea" 75 years ago, ended its last English-language shortwave services in Europe on Monday, 18th March.

The British public broadcaster has been reducing its shortwave transmissions over the past seven years, eliminating services to North America and Australia in 2001 and South America in 2005. Last March, the BBC started reducing European transmissions, finally cutting off a transmitter that reached parts of southern Europe on Monday. "There comes a point where the shortwave audience in a given region becomes so small that spending money on it can no longer be justified," the broadcaster said in a statement.

Training Courses

Our congratulations to the 3 candidates who passed the Advanced Exam recently. Also to the 9 candidates who passed the Foundation Exam in February. By the time the newsletter is

published they should have their new M3 Call-signs and be appearing on the air.

The Intermediate Course starts on 6th March and is already oversubscribed which shows how keen newcomers are to upgrade to the next stage.

Starting on 12th June there will be a Foundation Course at the Danbury Village Hall from 7 - 9 pm each Thursday evening, for six weeks.

It would be appreciated if you would help advertise the course by placing copies of our poster in public places such as libraries, supermarkets, community halls or the workplace. The poster can be downloaded from:
<http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/training/poster2.pdf>

New Morse Classes Start

New Morse Classes start in Danbury Village Hall on Thursday, 6th March. Course is 3 sessions of 6 weeks to pass a 5wpm assessment.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining any of the above Courses, please ask them to contact Clive on: -

Tel: 01245 224577
Mob: 07860 418835
Skype ID: clive2006
Email: training2008@g0mwt.org.uk
More info at <http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/training/>

And

Helpers Wanted - Training

Helpers are needed to make the tea/coffee at the Foundation and Morse classes held every Thursday evening at Danbury Village Hall. If you can help contact Clive G1EUC
Tel: 01245-224577 E-mail:
training2008@g0mwt.org.uk

73 Trevor M5AKA

And – Helpers Wanted - Raffle

Helpers are needed to assist with the CARS Monthly Meeting Raffle table. Apply on-site.

And Finally...

John, G8DET edited this edition.
Material by Colin, G0TRM; Murray, G6JYB; Trevor, M5AKA; Geoff, G7KLV, Patrick, M0XAP & Steve G4ZUL.& Harry, G5HF.
Would you like to edit an issue of the Newsletter? If so let us know.

Items for the next newsletter should be sent to the editor@g0mwt.org.uk by Friday, 22nd March.