



Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society

Newsletter

September Meeting
Tue 6-Sep-2022, 7:30pm
Danbury Village Hall

Essex Table Top Sale
By CARs Members

The great **Essex Table Top Sale**, hosted by CARs, returns to Danbury Village Hall. The evening will be in the larger main hall at Danbury. We will have facilities for sales of small/single items to whole tables.

Amongst other goodies, we have a number of tool kits for sale (and one in our free raffle) that are surplus to current needs.

Doors open for sellers setting up at 7pm, ahead of the main event opening at 7:30pm.

If you have missed Canvey Rally, this is an excellent opportunity for Essex radio/electronics bargains, downsizing or recycling. Those interested in booking tables should contact our coordinator, John Roe G4IMS CARs Treasurer asap.

Special Bargains! - Toolkits for sale - £10/box
Free entry, Free raffle, Free Tables if you reserve in advance
- See page-4 for more info

Contact: Sale Coordinator: E-Mail CARs Treasurer
tabletop2022@g0mwt.org.uk

No Zoom for this one – be there or miss out! - Refreshments/raffle too!

All SWLs, Amateurs and Clubs most welcome



URGENT: SUPPORT THE CLUB - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NOW! – SEE PAGE-5

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Club Diary

Tue 6-Sep-2022	Meeting: Table Top Sale !!!!!!!	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 4-Oct-2022	Club Meeting: CARS AGM - Please attend and volunteer!!	Danbury Village Hall
Thu 20-Oct-2022	Essex Repeater Group AGM	Danbury Village Hall

Club Nets

CARS meets for talks/events on the first Tuesday of the month. The subsequent Tuesdays have club radio nets as follows below and dates listed on our calendar at www.g0mwt.org.uk/main/events/categories/net/ :-

- 2nd Tuesday in the Month – VHF**
 The CARS VHF FM Net uses GB3DA from Danbury starting at 8pm (local).
 GB3DA is 145.125MHz Input and 145.725MHz Output - and CTCSS-only (110.9Hz), 2min timeout
 If for any reason GB3DA is not available then 145.375 Simplex will be used. Vertical aerials are best for this
- 3rd Tuesday in the Month - UHF**
 The CARS UHF FM Net uses GB3ER from Danbury and starting at 8pm (local).
 GB3ER is 434.675MHz Input and 433.075MHz Output - and is CTCSS-only
 Vertical aerials are best.
- 4th Tuesday in the Month - HF**
 The CARS 80m Net on "3756kHz" Night, SSB and starting at 8pm (local).
 Horizontal aerials are best. The idea is to enable distant CARS Members to join the Net.
- 5th Tuesday in the Month (when there is one!) - MF**
 This is the CARS Top Band Net on 1947/1950 kHz +/-QRM, LSB and starting at 8pm (local).
 Horizontal aerials are usually used for this Net. A reminder - limit your power to a max of 30 Watts, please.

Training & Morse Classes

CARS Training classes at Danbury:

If you are interested in these or other opportunities in 2022, please contact **John O'Connell M0JOC** our training coordinator and Exam Secretary

We currently are running fast-track courses at Danbury to assist with the Intermediate and Full and can also accommodate the new Direct-to-Full (D2F) exams that start in January-2023

John can be contacted via training2022@g0mwt.org.uk or 07868-004380

More info and other updates are at: www.g0mwt.org.uk/training

Online Morse Classes: Thursday evenings at 7pm. Coordinated by Andy G0IBN who has on-air practice sessions and via Skype too... <https://join.skype.com/clsfKXKmlNvf>

- contact Andy via morse2022@g0mwt.org.uk - or feel free to enquire about the Essex CW Boot Camp

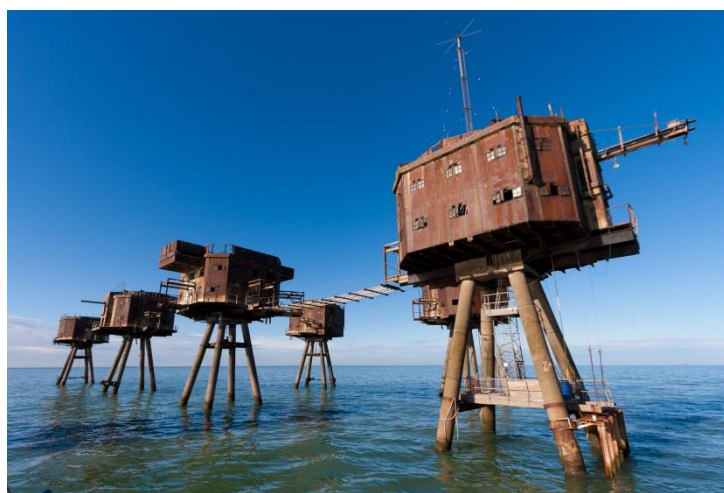
 Follow @TrainWithCARS

August Meeting: Ten Different Radio Topics

The August meeting was an entertaining multimedia presentation by Jim Salmon 2E0RMI that had been delayed from earlier in the year. Whilst Jim presented the talk, John O'Connell M0JOC ran thru a series of edited video clips and slides that brought each topic to life, making for a great evening.

In summary the ten topics were:-

- 1) Radio Caroline in Stormy Seas
- 2) Towers, forts and the world's smallest country - Sealands Thames forts etc
- 3) Unesco – World Radio Day & Farm Radio International
- 4) What did they think of radio in the 1920's ...2LO, Upstairs/Downstairs tv clip
- 5) A Ham mast and something much bigger –tall ones – inc a 1500ft TV tower
- 6) SW and other broadcast radio relay stations
- 7) WRMI – Radio Miami International
- 8) Internet Live Streaming – an alternate way to reach an audience
- 9) Numbers stations, the Russian Buzzer and Duga 3 (the Woodpecker)
- 10) A Pathe news clip of the demolition of the Somerton mast nr Yeovil Somerset – which was managed by Tony Gilbey G4YTG for Portishead radio



Red Sands forts In the Thames Estuary nr Kent



Changing a bulb on a 1500' TV Mast, South Dakota

Many thanks to Jim and John for a great evening!

Useful Links

- Maunsell Sea Forts
- 1500' TV Tower

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maunsell_Forts

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f1BgZlRfT8>

Table Top Sale Extra Info



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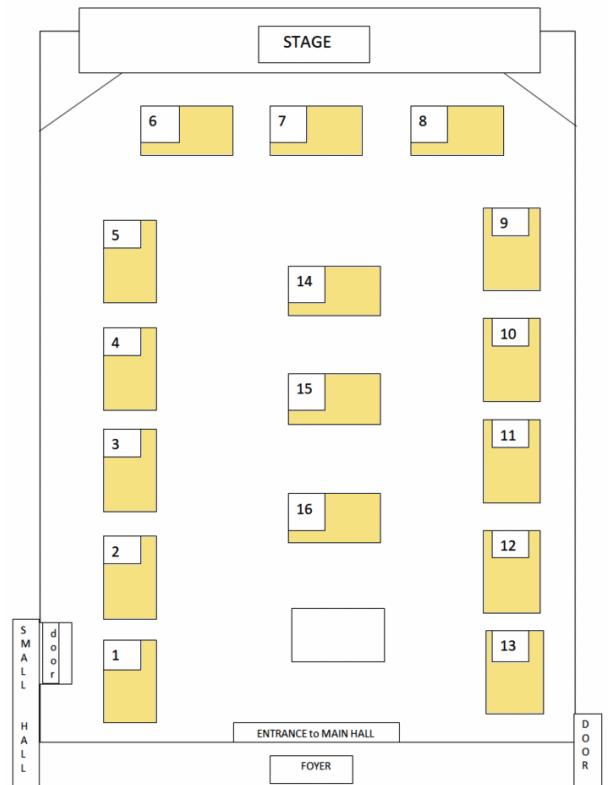
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The provisional table layout in the main hall is in the diagram >>

- Free Entry
- Free Tables (if you reserve beforehand)
- Free Raffle



Toolkits for Sale

- we have quite a few spare, but only to those who attend!!



Full toolkit boxes and assorted items are available

CARS - We Need You!!!

For some time the committee has been stretched by a combination of retirements and sadly Silent Keys. We also notice that Covid/lockdowns has had an impact on attendances too. Locally 2022 has already seen the closure of Clacton Radio Club and the GB7CH repeater due to lack of support.

CARS activities have also seen insufficient active volunteers outside of the committee.

At the AGM, our long serving Secretary Colin G0TRM retires; who has been instrumental in organising our talks programme, RadCom update etc.

We are at a critical point where the CARS Committee risk being inquorate and also has to consider an EGM.

Therefore we seek at least 3-4 new committee members. There are plenty of roles where we would welcome fresh skills/help, including PR, operating/activities, training etc.

– which can if need be can be backed by our ample assets

Please contact us asap to discuss the opportunities and hear about what's involved – Don't wait till the AGM!

Essex Repeater Group AGM

Following a break caused by Covid, the ERG AGM event returns on the evening of Thursday 20th October at Danbury Village Hall. The event includes updates, surplus items and a raffle. Fuller details in due course.

Essex CW Boot Camp 2022

CW Enthusiasts from around the country will be attending Essex CW ARC 6th CW Boot Camp on Saturday 22nd October.

CW activities will include:-

- learning from your peers correct CW procedures
- how to send Morse on the straight and twin paddle keys
- training on how to increase your speed
- the art of head-copying



Booking is essential as spaces are limited, so if you intend joining us please submit your details ASAP to: Andy G0IBN g0ibn1@yahoo.com

Venue:

3rd Witham Scout & Guide HQ
Rear of Spring Lodge Community Centre
Powers Hall End
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