



# Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society Newsletter

**February Meeting**  
Tue 7-Feb-2023, 7:30pm  
Danbury Village Hall

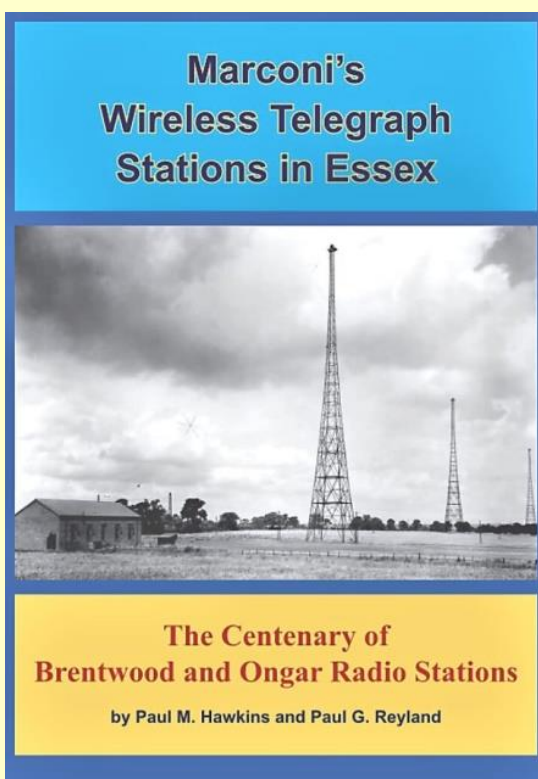
**Marconi Wireless Stations**  
By Paul Reyland M0MDB

Local author, amateur and former telecomms engineer Paul Reyland G0PGR will talk about Marconi Wireless Telegraph Stations in Essex - notably the Ongar and Brentwood Stations.

These were established in the early 1920s near Chelmsford to provide international wireless communications.

They continued until Brentwood closed in 1965 and Ongar in 1987 – but you may be amazed by what they did.

NB: Physical meeting – no Zoom



**Volunteers:** We still need a Secretary and other roles filled, so please do chat to us and see how you can contribute – whether its special event operating, a talk, training, or some other special interest

**Note – all Danbury meetings are back to normal 7:30pm start times**

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## Club Diary

Tue 7-Feb-2023	Club Meeting: Marconi Stations in Essex - Paul Reyland G0PGR	Danbury Village Hall
Thu 2&9-Feb-2023	Foundation Fast-track Training	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 7-Mar-2023	Club Meeting: Practical Night - Setting up a Station (Brickworks)	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/](http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/main/events/categories/net/) :-

- **2<sup>nd</sup> 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
- **3<sup>rd</sup> 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.
- **4<sup>th</sup> 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.
- **5<sup>th</sup> 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

### 2023 CARS Training classes at Danbury:

- Foundation Fast Track ongoing - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> February - *all places booked*
- **Intermediate/Full Fast Track - set for Thursday 16, 23 & 30<sup>th</sup> March – Sign up now!**

If you are interested in these or other opportunities in 2023, please contact **John O'Connell M0JOC** our training coordinator and Exam Secretary. Please also spread the word to potential candidates!

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

John can be contacted via [training2023@g0mwt.org.uk](mailto:training2023@g0mwt.org.uk) or 07868-004380

More info and other updates are at: [www.g0mwt.org.uk/training](http://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 [morse2023@g0mwt.org.uk](mailto:morse2023@g0mwt.org.uk) - or feel free to enquire about the Essex CW Boot Camp

 Follow @TrainWithCARS

## January Meeting: Brickworks

For our January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, David de la Haye M0MDB, RSGB Region-12 Representative, introduced the RSGB Brickworks Initiative which supports 'Building Experience' for both newcomers, but also for existing amateur and clubs. He had both a video and slides to explain all.

This is very much about supporting both existing as well as new amateurs - and new topics to try. There are several themes and lots of potential activities you may wish to join in or even volunteer for.

After Dave's presentation there were a few slides by CARS on how some of our future meetings will be using those themes to support it, such as demonstration how to set up a station or some new aspect of radio you may not have tried before

Our thanks to David – who we again a few weeks later at Canvey ☺



## CARS at Canvey Rally

CARS were at the SEARS Canvey Rally on Sunday Feb 5<sup>th</sup> and had a successful time with SK sales and meeting numerous colleagues.

This was the first Canvey rally since the 2020 event which occurred just before the Covid lockdown, so it had eager folk and traders.

Venue: Cornelius Vermuyden School,  
Dinant Avenue, Canvey, Essex, SS8 9QS

*Photos: CARS Table and the Opening Queue...*



*SEARS reported there were over 400 attendees...*





## Danbury Village Hall Open Day

CARS supported Danbury at the national Village Halls Week on Saturday afternoon 28<sup>th</sup> January.

The Open Day had tables by various local groups included the Danbury Players, Rock Project, arts, table tennis, Heathcote School

Free refreshments were very popular in the small hall as it featured homemade cake by the WI. All great outreach ☺

General Info: <https://acre.org.uk/village-halls-week-2023/>

## Village Halls Week

**2023**

Warm, welcoming and inclusive spaces

#VillageHallsWeek



Flags were out and this Special Occasion Poster



Paul G4PVM, John G4IMS & Murray behind the camera



Plenty of local groups in the Main Hall



Danbury Players Selfie

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