



Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society Newsletter

May Meeting

Tue 6-May-2025, 7:30pm
Danbury Village Hall

Meet Your Local Reps!

By RSGB Region-12

The May meeting will be your chance to meet the RSGB Regional Team and hear about their work, latest news, ask for help or input ideas/concerns - or discuss their wide range of amateur radio experiences. The attendees will be:-

- **Brian Woolnough M5ADQ** - Region-12 Rep (East Anglia)
- **Dave Cutts M0TAZ** - Essex District Rep

Brian succeeded David De La Haye and hails from Suffolk - so having him down in Essex is a great opportunity for all local amateurs/clubs to attend, meet and chat.

Brian also has background as a Bletchley-NRC and AMSAT-UK volunteer (see his QRZ page). Dave Cutts is also well known for his amateur antenna and operating activities.

See: www.qrz.com/db/M5ADQ for Brian; and www.qrz.com/db/M0TAZ for Dave.

All local amateurs/clubs are welcome to attend. We will also have tables for surplus hardware and goodies so there may be bargains too!

Background

RSGB Region-12 covers Essex, Suffolk, Norfolk and Cambridgeshire. For more about RSGB Region-12:

- **Web:** [RSGB Region 12](http://RSGBRegion12)
- **Facebook:** facebook.com/groups/rsgbregion12



CAR PARKING – take care to register your car in Danbury

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Club Diary

Tue 6-May-2025	CARS Meeting - Meet your Reps – RSGB Region-12	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 3-Jun-2025	CARS Meeting - Practical Skills Night	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 1-Jul-2025	CARS Meeting – It's Radio – but... by Jim Salmon 2E0RMI	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 5-Aug-2025	CARS Meeting - Summer Social Meal	Chelmsford - venue tbc

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

If you are interested in either training/revision or exams, please contact **John O'Connell M0JOC** our training coordinator and Exam Secretary. Please also spread the word to potential candidates. John can be contacted via training2025@g0mwt.org.uk or 07868-004380

More info and other updates are at: www.g0mwt.org.uk/training - and the updated RSGB Course Finder

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/clsfKXXKmINvf> - but will be MS Teams soon

- "Beginners" classes are available,
- Other courses available are an "Improvers" class, 10 to 15wpm:
- "Morse Development Group" 15wpm+ : "Advanced" class for the techniques of "Head copying"

- contact Andy via morse2025@g0mwt.org.uk

 Follow @TrainWithCARS

April Meeting: Constructors Competition

Our April slot was the annual Constructors Competition. We had a great selection of entries competing for the prizes which were organised by our treasurer John M0JOC. Thanks to all who attended and voted.

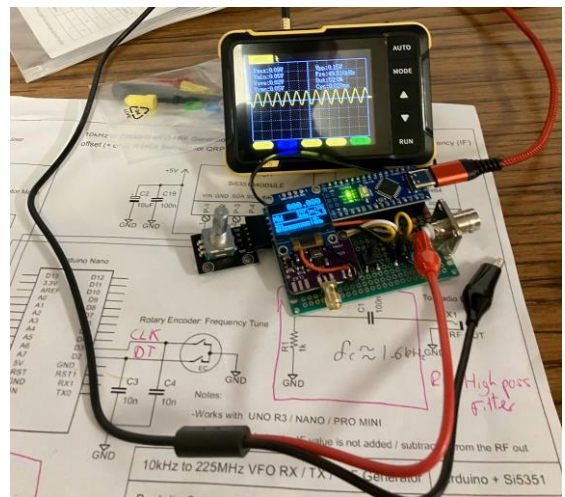
Pictured here are the three winners and our 'first time' entrant

- 1st – Noah 2E0XZD for or his Digitally controlled VFO
- 2nd – Bruce G8BOS for a classic Valve amplifier entry
- 3rd – Normal M0FZW for his portable back-pack setup
- Newcomer – Rick 2E0VVY

We also thank Andy G1GKN, Martin G4TOO and Bob G4MDB for also entering as well - giving us plenty to think about and admire. It all made for a great evening, as did the seasonal raffle prizes (inc chocolate Easter Egg!)



1st Place: Noah 2E0XZD



LF-VHF VFO inc digital controller/display



2nd Place: Bruce G8BOS



A modern Valve Amplifier



3rd Place: Norman M0FZW



Backpack Portable Radio



Rick 2E0VYY gets the Newcomers prize



2025 Constructors - make sure you are ready for April-2026 !

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